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Leon, Hancock clash over Amendment 7

By RYAN BRONSON
MANAGING EDITOR

The atmosphere was tense in Webster Hall auditorium Saturday as an opponent and a proponent of Hancock II debated in a forum sponsored by the Joplin Area Chamber of Commerce.

Amendment 7, to be voted on Nov. 8 assuming court attempts to strike it from the ballot are turned back, essentially gives voters the right to approve all new tax increases.

After the debate, the arguments continued in the hallway when Missouri Southern President Julio Leon and U.S. Rep. Mel Hancock lit into each other. Leon and Hancock were

not part of the earlier discussion between James Moody and Thor Hearne.

"Essentially he was saying that I was wrong," Leon said, "and that anybody who said that schools were going to be closed or that cuts were going to take place was wrong because that's not what the amendment calls for—the amendment is just something that is designed to give the voters the power to vote on taxes."

"I said 'Well, but including those two taxes (Propositions A and C) the spending lid is going to be exceeded and the amendment calls for a refund.' The question is where the funds for the refund are going to come from. They have to come from the agencies that are currently using those funds."

Leon said Hancock told him that even if the money was taken away, the state's educa-

tion programs could ask voters to return the funds.

Hancock, in a phone interview from his office in Washington, D.C., said Leon was misinformed by opponents of the amendment about the effects of the measure.

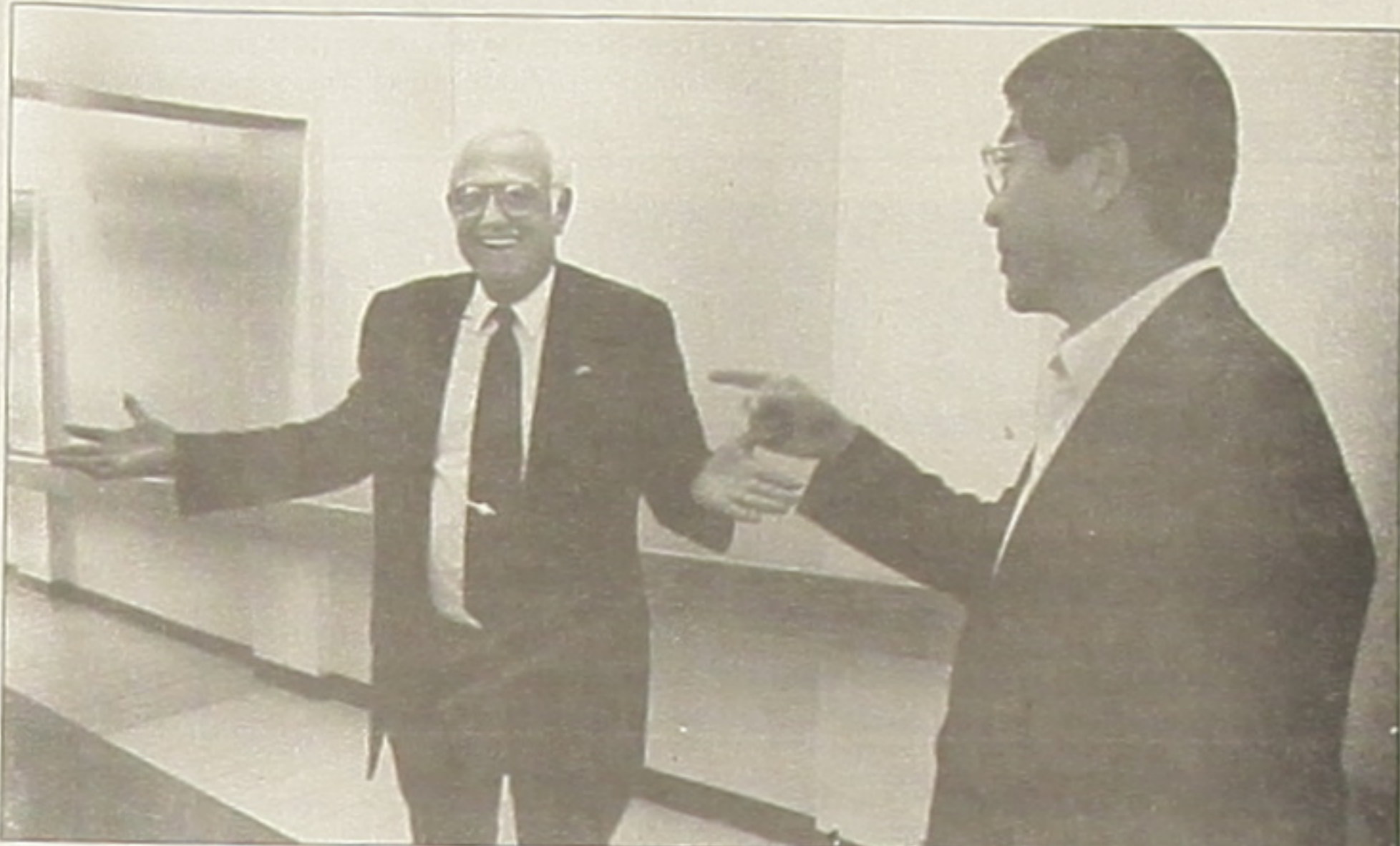
"I consider Dr. Leon a friend," Hancock said. "I have never lied to him. These people have consistently lied to him, yet he goes along with what they are telling him."

"If anyone should care about the constitutional rights of the students, it should be him," Hancock said. "Swap freedom for a little handout from the government. Go ahead, but I'm not going to."

Proposition C, a sales tax approved in 1982 that raises \$553.7 million annually, and

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POINT ...



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U.S. Rep. Mel Hancock (left) and College President Julio Leon have an animated exchange after a Hancock II forum in Webster Hall auditorium Saturday. Leon and Hancock share differing views on the measure.

Campus groups spring into action

By T.R. HANRAHAN
EDITOR-IN-CHIEF

With the fall general election just a little more than a month away, Missouri Southern is keeping its eye on Hancock II.

The Missouri National Education Association is currently conducting a fund-raiser on campus, and the College's Faculty Senate has appointed an ad-hoc committee to study the issue.

In a Sept. 23 memo to Southern's faculty, Dr. Robert Markman, associate professor of history, provided information about the NEA fund drive to

defeat Hancock II on Nov. 8. Markman said about \$500 has been raised in the first week, but there are difficulties.

"We have a relatively small membership, so we have to rely on non-members' contributions," he said. "This is being conducted by the Missouri NEA, but the national NEA has said they will match those collections."

Markman said the group's national office has become interested because of the effects Hancock II could have on education in the state.

"Under the worst-case scenario, this will take a lot of funding away from education," he said.

On Thursday, Oct. 6, the

Senate's ad-hoc committee will hold an informational meeting on the measure.

"The meeting's purpose is to explore the implications of passing Amendment No. 7," said Dr. Blake Wolf, president of the Senate. "We want to explore how its passage could affect students and faculty."

"We want to invite faculty members to discuss this issue and assemble the facts so we can disseminate that information."

Committee members said the form that dissemination will take is yet to be determined.

"We may write letters to the editor or letters to the faculty about what will or will not hap-

pen [if Hancock II is passed]," Wolf said. "The committee will discuss that and decide later."

More immediate information may be forthcoming from the committee, however.

"We want to focus on what the amendment itself says and what the Moody Report says," said Nancy Loomer, director of career planning and placement. "We might distribute copies of both so people can see what is actually in them."

A report issued in April, "The Impact of the Proposed Hancock II Amendment," by James

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... COUNTERPOINT

APPEALS COMMITTEE

College reduces players' penalties

By RYAN BRONSON
MANAGING EDITOR

The College issued disciplinary suspensions to the Missouri Southern football players who were involved in an alleged attack on members of the Sigma Pi fraternity at an Aug. 31 pre-rush party.

But according to a memorandum issued by Dr. Glenn

Dolence, vice president for student services, the suspensions have been reduced by an independent College appeals committee.

The appeals committee, consisting of a dean, two faculty members, and two students, instead placed the students in question on disciplinary probation through June 1996.

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COMMENCEMENT

December graduation may be costly

Aid recipients could lose one-third of awards

By JOHN HACKER
EXECUTIVE EDITOR

While students who graduate in December would like to celebrate their accomplishments, the cost of a graduation ceremony may be too high—for the students and Missouri Southern.

College administrators say an official December graduation could cost students a significant portion of their financial aid.

"[Under federal rules] December graduates would sacrifice one-third of their [federal] financial aid if they graduate in the fall," said Dr. Erik Bitterbaum, vice president for academic affairs. "Those students might elect to be [May] graduates and

have the registrar's office write a letter to prospective employers saying they had completed all the requirements."

Cameron Whitney, senior sociology and economics major and initiator of the petition, said he would rethink his position after hearing about the cuts. Nearly 140 students, including 25 December 1994 graduates, signed his petition.

"I think that is a real negative," he said. "That would make me want to not have the ceremony right there. It is almost like the government is penalizing students for graduating on time."

Bitterbaum said he was awaiting opinions from the Student Senate and the seniors affected

before making a decision.

Senate President Stacy Schoen told senators they could discuss the issue but any decision would have to come from the administration.

"We want feedback from the graduating seniors, so I'm directing this to the seniors and the juniors who will be seniors next year," Schoen told the Senate at last night's meeting.

"Once you have more information on [the issue] maybe you can decide and we can discuss it."

Bitterbaum presented some options to a December ceremony.

"For those students who want to be honored we could have a reception or a dinner. A full-blown ceremony would be very expensive," he said.

Whitney said he was open to alternatives.

"I would be in favor of [a reception]," he said. "Just a little ceremony for the families to get together and for the graduates to be recognized."

Bitterbaum said any decision must be made by late October.

"There is a time when we can no longer order the caps and gowns," he said. "Right now we still have time to get all the issues out and get some feedback."

Bitterbaum said if Southern were to hold a December ceremony, he would not want it to be anything less than the May ceremony.

"We wouldn't want [December graduates] to feel that their graduation is less important than the others," he said.

T.R. Hanrahan and Genie Undermahr contributed to this story.

OBITUARY

Friends say goodbye to Southern freshman

By RYAN BRONSON
MANAGING EDITOR

Services were held yesterday for Missouri Southern freshman Shane Obed Whitehill, 18, at the Nixa High School Gymnasium.

Whitehill, who lived in Blaine Hall, was killed when his east-bound 1990 Chevrolet slid off Farm Road 152 two miles east of Republic early Sunday morning, according to the Missouri Highway Patrol.

Whitehill, a criminal justice

major, was ejected from the vehicle when it slid into a driveway at a curve, causing the automobile to overturn, reports said. Whitehill suffered massive head injuries when his vehicle landed on him.

Robert Eudy, who also lives in Blaine Hall, was a friend of Whitehill's.

"There is a lot you can say about him," Eudy said. "He was a great guy. If anybody was down, even himself, he would just say 'Let's go out and have some fun.'"

"Nobody deserves something like that to happen to them."

Survivors include his father, Rex; mother, Sharon; brothers,

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FACULTY RETIREMENT

Merryman bids farewell to Southern

By BECKI BROWN
STAFF WRITER

After 14 years of service to Missouri Southern, Dr. Edward Merryman retires tomorrow as dean of the school of education and psychology.

In 1980 Merryman left Valdosta (Ga.) State College to become head of the education department at Southern. In 1982 he was promoted to dean of the school.

"Missouri Southern was recommended highly to me," said Merryman, a native of Missouri,

"I have enjoyed it here at Missouri Southern more than anywhere."

"I knew the things that were important to me. I knew what had to be done and what made a difference."

Merryman, who has also taught at Ball State University, Georgia State University, the University of Missouri-St. Louis,

and the University of North Dakota, said he has been pleased with the quality of Southern's faculty and staff.

"What I have enjoyed the most here are the people," he said. "I always look forward to meeting people on campus."

"I will take the memory of a fine, warm institution with a spirit of family."

The most exciting surprise for Merryman was the students he has worked with.

"I have been impressed with the quality of students," he said.

"These are the brightest students I have ever worked with."

Merryman said he has also been impressed with the students' personal qualities and traits.

After tomorrow, he plans to take time off from his busy schedule.

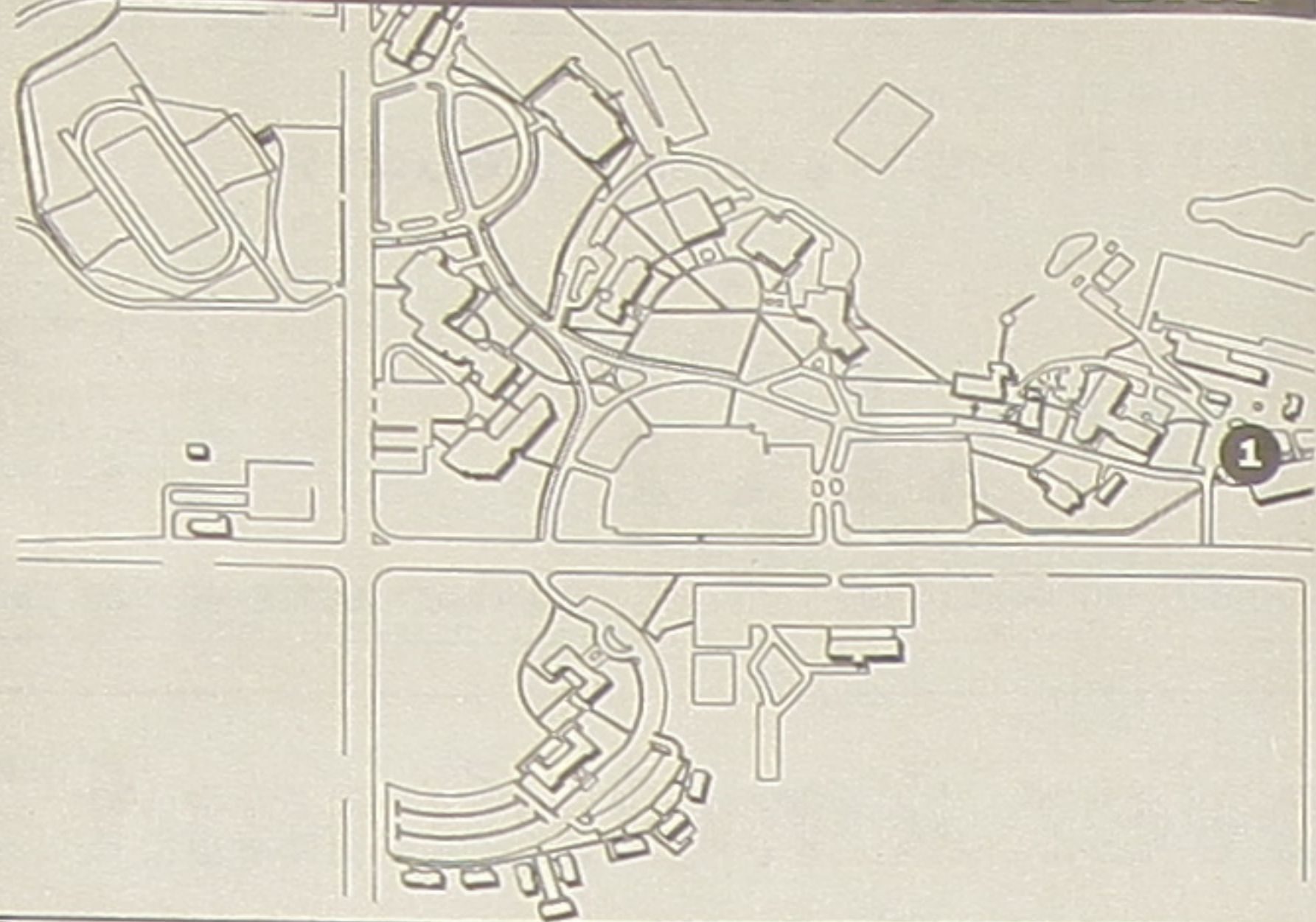
"I have been so busy lately," he said. "I am going to take time to regroup my energies and make decisions about the future."

Merryman is planning to move to Virginia to be closer to his children.



Merryman

CAMPUS SECURITY REPORT



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Campus security observed a non-student drive his vehicle into a ditch near Lot 34. The driver told the campus security officer that he had been drinking. The officer then notified the Joplin Police Department, who placed the subject under arrest for driving while intoxicated.

SOURCE: Campus Security Office

STUDENT SENATE

Senators to study Hancock II

By GENIE UNDERNEHR
CAMPUS EDITOR

Freshman senator Jason Talley submitted a resolution to the Senate to oppose the Hancock II amendment at last night's meeting.

Stacy Schoen, Senate president, encouraged the senators to read up on the proposed amendment in preparation for discussion at next week's meeting. Dr. Glenn Dolence, vice president for student services, will address the Senate about the Hancock II issue.

"We're going to listen to Dr.

Dolence, and hopefully the senators will do some background reading on their own," Schoen said. "We'll read over the resolution and maybe put that into effect from the Senate."

In other business, the Senate heard and voted on several allocation requests. Doug Carnahan, dean of students, cautioned the senators on the amounts allocated.

"I agree we need to be concerned where every dollar is going," he said. "On the other hand, there is nothing to be embarrassed about spending all

your money before the semester is over."

The Senate allocated \$2,401.25 of the \$10,500 available for this semester, leaving \$8,098.75. The organizations that received funding were WISE, \$1,000; Phi Eta Sigma, \$371.25; the Modern Communications Club, \$330; and the Student Nurses' Association, \$700.

Next week, the finance committee will review and present allocation requests from Koinonia, the Social Science Club, SADHA, and Phi Alpha Theta.

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Moody, state budget director from 1987-89 and commissioner of administration from 1989-93, mentions the possible closing of an entire campus. Yesterday, *The Kansas City Star* listed Southern and Missouri Western State College as potential targets.

"That is, of course, a major concern," Wolf said. "Not only for the students and faculty, but for the community as well."

"I think we will have to look at that. If that is in fact a possibility, we will want to get that information out."

Loomis said the Oct. 6 meeting

will not be tightly structured and is open to all who wish to attend.

"We have a pretty open agenda," she said. "We want to discuss concerns about the bill and discuss how to educate the public about it."

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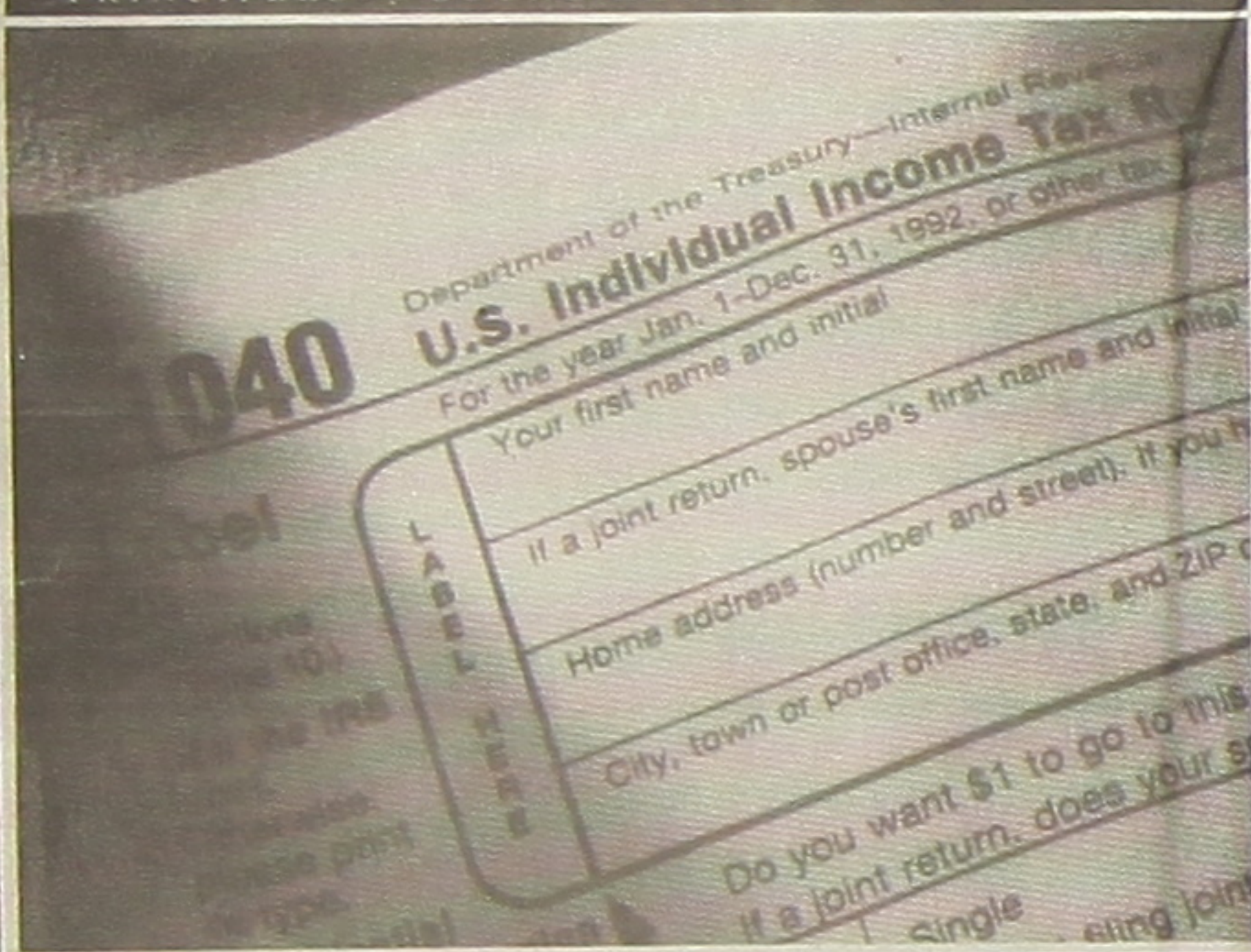
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ADMINISTRATION

Bitterbaum seeks student input

Family dinner opens lines of communication

By CRAIG BEFFA
CITY NEWS EDITOR

Students in the cafeteria do a lot of talking—and Dr. Erik Bitterbaum wants to know what they are saying.

"I am very interested in what students think about the College," said Bitterbaum, vice president for academic affairs. "I know that they will not come to my office, so I feel that it is important that I go out to them."

"And I don't want to miss my dinner with my family, so usually my family comes along. It has been very enlightening."

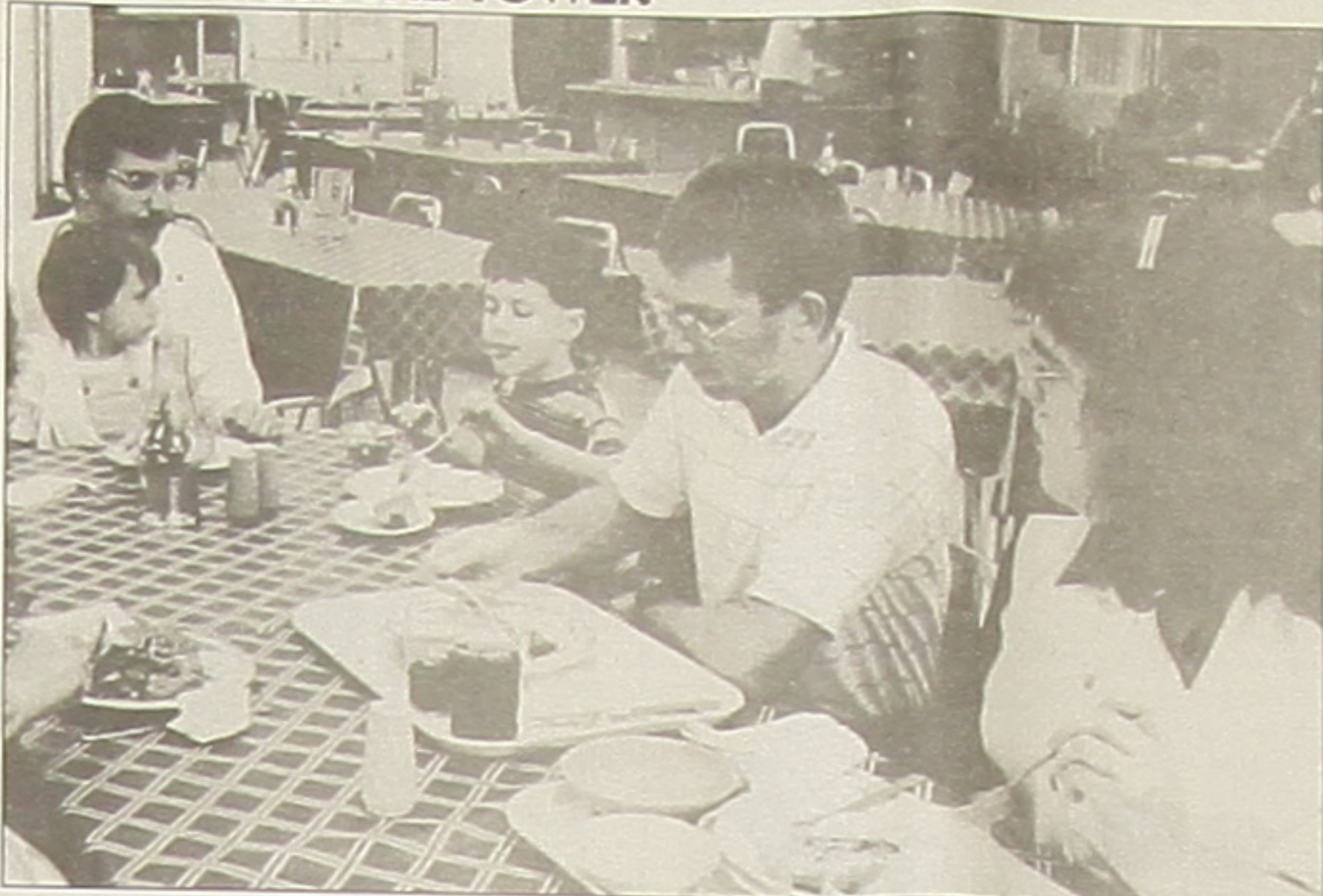
Bitterbaum said students have insights to Missouri Southern, and he wants to know exactly what they think about various topics.

"I ask questions like, 'What do you think about the College,' 'What do you think are some of the strengths of your major,' and 'What would you change?' And to my surprise, students have been very frank."

"I advised them that I didn't want to talk about faculty personalities, only the things that they would like to change."

He said there is only one major purpose for his forays into the cafeteria and that is

DOWN FROM THE TOWER



Dr. Erik Bitterbaum, vice president for academic affairs, and his family share a meal in the cafeteria with Andy Love, post-graduate student, and others. Bitterbaum said the students give him a different view of the College.

DEBORAH SOLOMON/The Chart

to get out of his office and be with the students to learn more about the College.

He said he has learned a great deal from the students, and if appropriate he will share what was discussed with the department heads.

"Some things that we talk about are not even concerns; most are positive suggestions," Bitterbaum said. "You get a nice cross-section of people in

the cafeteria, of all age groups, and all different kinds of majors."

"I like that Dr. Bitterbaum comes and talks to students," said Jennifer Francisco, junior biology major.

"It gives students a voice on all kinds of subjects and shows that someone is interested and cares about what we think."

Bitterbaum said when stu-

dents are eating in the cafeteria they are more than welcome to sit with him.

"Students don't have to have a major concern; I would be happy just to meet people," he said.

One suggestion to students from Bitterbaum is to ask a faculty member to eat with them. It would give students the opportunity to see faculty outside of the classroom.

ADMISSIONS OFFICE

'Fall Visit Day' on tap for high school students

High school students who want to learn more about the various programs and opportunities at Missouri Southern are being invited to a special "Fall Visit Day" Friday, Oct. 7.

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finished by 1 p.m.

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According to the memo, "The basis for the committee's actions was the recantation of accusations made by one of the alleged victims who testified that everyone deserves a second chance and the involved parties were currently working together to rectify any existing issues."

Doug Carnahan, dean of students, said the committee's decision was not influenced by the fact the accused were athletes.

"I think the committee was responsible in handling them as students and not as any partic-

ular members of any organization," Carnahan said. "Disciplinary probation is the most severe punishment that the College has after suspension."

John Weedn, a student on the committee, refused to disclose much of what happened at the proceedings.

"All I can say is that I feel that we did what was right in accordance to what needed to be done," Weedn said.

Information about the meeting must come directly from Dolence, Weedn said.

Dolence was unavailable for comment.

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Jeremy and Jacob; and sister, Mistina. Sharon Whitehill is the mayor of Nixa.

Whitehill was laid to rest at Delaware Cemetery in Nixa. An estimated 500-700 people attended the service.

Whitehill was a volunteer fire-

fighter for the Nixa Fire Department, where his brother, Jeremy, also works.

"It was a nice service," Eudy said. "They gave him a salute and everything."

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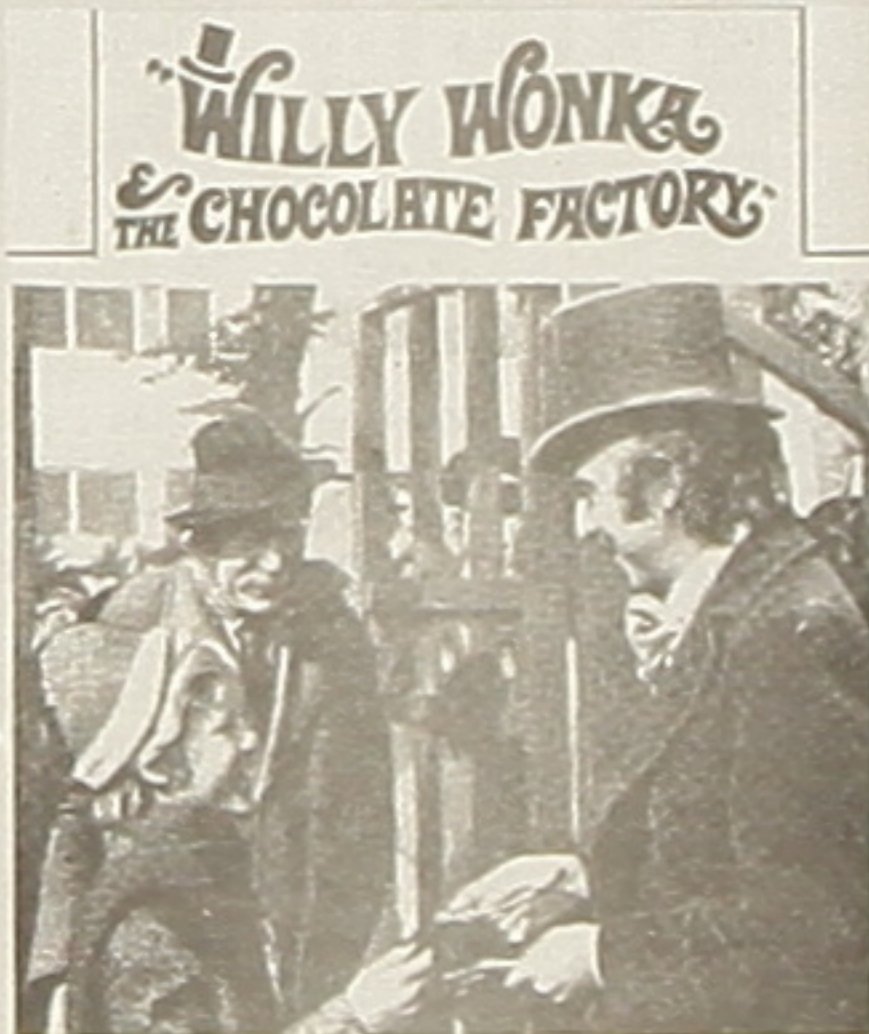
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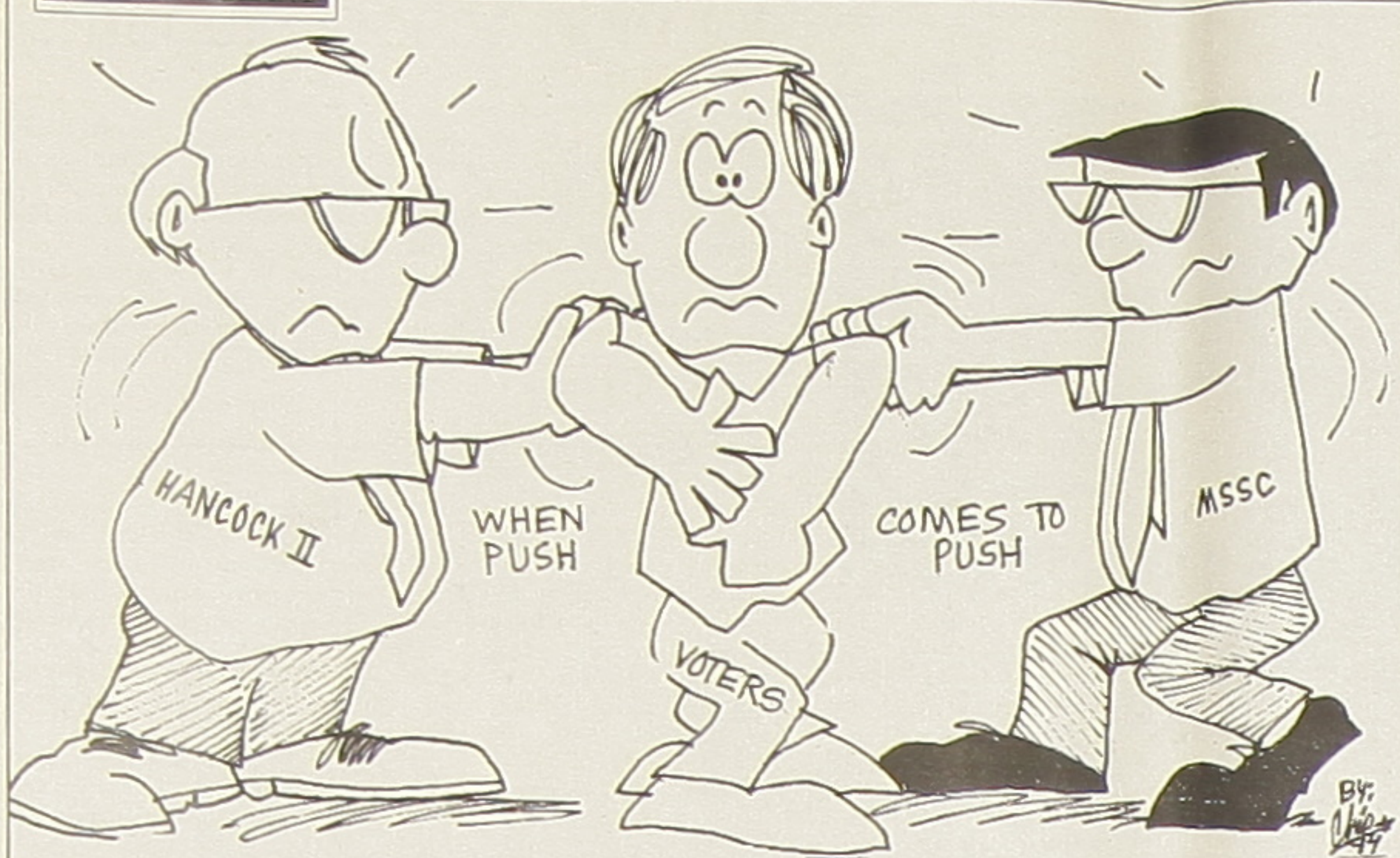
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SPENCER'S SLANT



OUR EDITORIALS

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Best vote is an educated vote

In the debate over Hancock II, students have become a political wishbone.

With U.S. Rep. Mel Hancock tugging at one end and Missouri's college officials yanking at the other, something has to give.

If we are to believe Hancock, the voters are mad as hell and unwilling to take it anymore. Hancock is certain that voters distrust the state representatives and senators they have elected. They are incensed, he says, at the legislature and Gov. Mel Carnahan for pushing through Senate Bill 380 in 1993. That vote, which approved a \$310 million tax hike to fund elementary and secondary education, should have been submitted to a vote of the people. This is generally seen as the attitude and action which triggered Hancock II.

College officials, meanwhile, are terrified of what the measure could do to their budgets. Missouri Southern President Julio Leon has estimated the College could take a cut of more than \$4 million. In order to offset that figure, Southern would need to raise tuition by more than 50 percent or lay off about 125 employees. Leon points out that this would stifle the great strides Southern has made in the last few years and that a tuition hike would shut people out.

The stories are similar on campuses throughout Missouri. At Northwest Missouri State University, officials estimate they would have to cut nearly one

fourth of their personnel rolls. At Southeast Missouri State University, President Kayla Stroup has canceled the ground-breaking of a planned College of Business building, and SEMO officials have said they stand to lose up to one half of their \$34 million budget.

Emotions over this issue are clearly running high. Emotion and misinformation, however, should not shape the debate over an issue as vital as this one. To date, both sides have hurled accusations and accused the other of misinformation. It is this propaganda maze voters must navigate to find the truth.

In an effort to better inform voters, an ad-hoc committee of the Faculty Senate has scheduled an open informational meeting on Hancock II. According to committee members, it is designed to sift through all the information being bandied about and get the facts before the voters.

Student Senate has taken an active role in registering voters on campus.

We applaud both groups for their efforts to keep the democratic process moving forward in a constructive manner.

We implore students, faculty, and staff to read all they can about Hancock II. Most importantly, they should balance that reading with materials from both sides and cast an educated vote.

EDITOR'S COLUMN

Runaway egos
Talented individuals don't need to brag

I like people—all kinds of people—with one exception. I have a strong aversion to people who have egos that precede them into a room.

You know who I'm talking about—that irritating person in one (or several) of your classes who just won't shut up. He knows everything about everything and lets everyone else know it.

If you're smart, fine. If you're good at what you do, great. If you're good-looking, congratulations. But keep it to yourself. Other people don't want to hear it.

I'll admit, someone who is exceptional at what he does has a small right to brag. But if he is exceptional, he doesn't have to brag—others do his bragging for him. Chances are, if someone believes he has to remind people of how great he is, he probably isn't that great.

True, an egotist is arrogant, overbearing, and small-minded. But I also think

he might be a little bit insecure. Why else would he be applauding himself at every turn if not to build up his own self-esteem? Maybe he's not really telling everyone else he's good. Maybe he's telling himself. If this is the case, I sympathize.

I feel genuinely sorry for someone who tries to be popular by putting other people down. Anyone who tries to look

good by pointing out someone else's weaknesses has some real problems. More than likely, instead of making friends he ends up pushing people farther away. I know I don't want a "friend" like that. I also know I don't want to be around someone who constantly tells me how great he is. It's a definite turn-off.

My mother always told me you can't make people like you. It's a known fact. People form their own opinions about you from what they see. The best you can do is be yourself and show respect for others.

It's all in the attitude.



By Genie Undernehr
Campus Editor

IN PERSPECTIVE

The power of choice
Each individual needs to make good decisions

The power of choice—Gees, What's that? It's sad that so many individuals today do not realize they have such power.

CHOICE—Webster defines it as "1. the act of choosing; the voluntary act of selecting or separating from two or more things that which is preferred; or the determination of the mind in preferring one thing to another. 2. the right or power of choosing; option."

Moment by moment we are making decisions that affect our current choices and those down the road. Even when we decide not to make a decision we've made one.

Recently during the College Orientation program, students were addressed by Scott Hettinger and

Becky Trotter about the power of choice. Scott spoke about his alcohol related accident

and the choices he is making now. Becky was a victim of someone else's choice and has to live with the results. Both have struggled but have chosen to speak out in hopes to help those yet to make their choices. I appreciate them for choosing to make themselves vulnerable.

We choose our behavior. The consequences are either good or bad. Granted we cannot always prevent victimization, but we can choose how we will respond to it.

Do we always choose anger and hate or do we choose to forgive and seek peace in our hearts?

Charles Swindoll said: "The remarkable thing is that we have a choice every day regarding the attitude we will embrace for that day. We cannot change our past... we cannot change the fact that people will act in a certain way. We cannot change the inevitable. The only thing we can do is

play on the one thing we have, and that is our attitude. I am convinced that life is 10 percent what happens to me and 90 percent how I react to it."

Our values and our belief in ourselves shape our choices. Some of us have received messages in the past that "we don't matter" or our "opinions are not worthy to be heard." We need to stop those old recordings and realize that we are worthy and that our thoughts do matter. Our actions affect more than ourselves. One of my all time favorite movies is *It's a Wonderful Life* starring Jimmy Stewart. His character decided his life was not worth living and wished that he had never been born. He was given a glimpse of what life without him would have been like for those in

his family and community. He realized that his life did have value and it was worth having.

Some of the choices we make are very selfish. We are seeking only our happiness and pleasure and fail to realize that there is trickle effect. Others are hurt and wounded when our eyes are always on ourselves.

How do you feel about yourself? Do you value your fellow man, the environment, your education or your place of employment? Do you live by the Golden Rule? My mom always used Shakespeare's words "to thine own self be true." She reminded me that I was the one that looked in my mirror and needed to like what I saw?

Sometimes I don't and sometimes I do. Evaluation is good. It can be destructive if we fail to see our merit.

Beating ourselves up doesn't aid anybody. It's just another recording. It's your life and our world. Let's make some good choices.

Exercise your power of choice today and make it a GREAT Day.



By Kelly Binns
Counseling Services
Assistant

BACKGROUND: Binns has been at Southern since 1986. She has also worked in the financial aid department.

YOUR LETTERS

The Chart welcomes letters from readers. Letters must be signed and include a phone number for verification. Letters should be 300 words or fewer. Submit letters to The Chart office on the third floor of Webster Hall, fax them to (417) 625-9742, or send via E-mail. Our E-mail addresses: TheChart@aol.com or HRKP31E@prodigy.com. Letters are due by noon Monday for publication in that week's edition.

Faculty should arrive early to park close

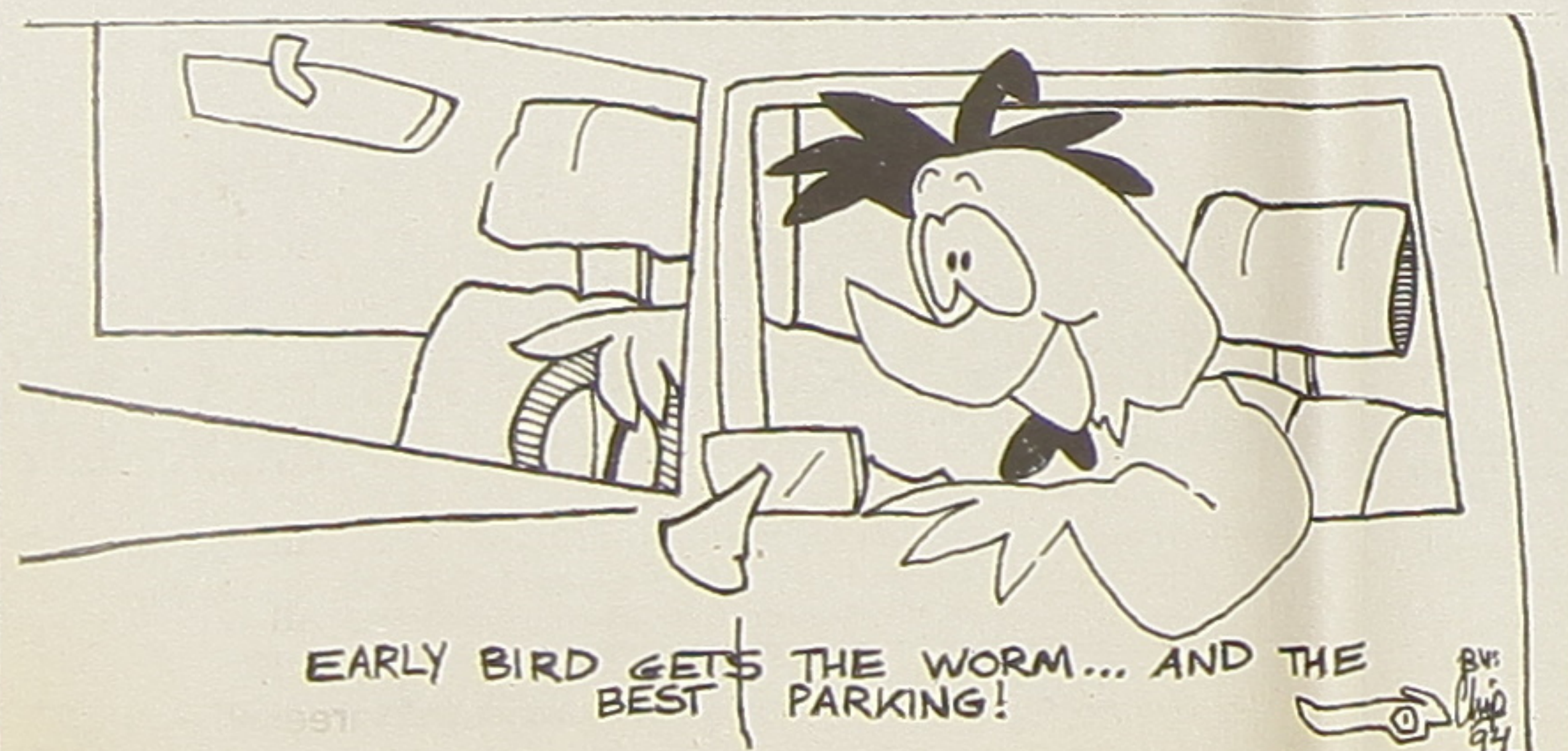
Faculty concern over students parking in faculty spots with or without faculty stickers is a petty one. A few faculty, mainly staff, must use their cars in the execution of their duties here. These few should and may obtain specific parking spots. The general faculty, however, should get here in time

to conduct their affairs early and leave late.

One who shows up at 10 a.m. should have to hunt for a space. There are plenty of parking spaces available. Some are east of Duquesne or west of Matthews, but a brisk walk wouldn't hurt any of us.

Get a life! Our concerns should be excellent teaching, research, and student achievement.

Michael Banks
Associate professor of education



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CAREER PLANNING AND PLACEMENT

Information Day to highlight student, employer networking

Goal of event to give more information about a career, not to help find a job

By PAULA SMITH
ASSOCIATE EDITOR

Students with career questions will have an opportunity to have them answered at Career Information Day Wednesday at Missouri Southern.

The information day is replacing the career fair that was held every year during the fall semester. Jennifer Yazell, career services coordinator, said her office is replacing the career fair to include more students and employers.

"Students need to get information about their careers early, so we wanted to include more freshmen and sophomores in the day," she said.

Professionals representing 17 career fields, including graduate schools, will attend. They will be prepared to discuss the nature of their work and answer questions about specific careers. Representatives will be wearing colored name tags that correspond with the profession they represent.

Employers will represent: accounting, banking and finance, computer aided drafting and design, computer aided manufacturing, education, entertainment, government, health care, media, advertising, behavioral sciences, computer information science, criminal justice and law, engineering, environmental careers, gradu-

ate school, marketing and management, and sciences.

Students may speak with employers at their booths or ask questions at break-out sessions with a panel of experts in the field of interest. Booth visitations will run from 11:30 a.m. to 2:45 p.m. in Young Gymnasium. Break-out groups will run from 2 p.m. to 2:25 p.m. and 2:30 p.m. to 2:55 p.m. in Webster Hall.

"The break-out sessions are designed to give students more in-depth information about the careers they are interested in," Yazell said.

She said the goal of Career Information Day is for students to get more information about a career and not to find a job. The event will help students not yet decided on a career gain valuable information about a variety of fields. Students already

decided on careers will gain a more realistic picture of what the career entails and make contacts with potential employers and get information about the job search. Freshmen and sophomores will make contacts for possible internships.

A networking reception will close the day from 3 p.m. to 4 p.m. in the lobby of Taylor Performing Arts Center. It is designed to provide students an opportunity to communicate and socialize with others in a professional setting. Some employers will use this event to look for possible new employees.

Professional attire is recommended for students attending Career Information Day. Students should bring a note pad and writing utensil, and those seeking internships or employment should bring copies of their resumes.

? SUGGESTED QUESTIONS FOR CAREER INFORMATION DAY ?

- ◆What would a typical day on the job be like in a career?
- ◆What do you consider to be most enjoyable about this career?
- ◆What kind of turnover does your firm experience in this position? To what might this be attributed?
- ◆What are the educational requirements for a person wanting to enter this field?
- ◆What skills/aptitudes/interests would you recommend a person bring to this career? What other qualities do you consider important in an interview candidate?
- ◆What is an average entry-level salary in this field? Benefits?
- ◆What are the opportunities for advancement?
- ◆What might a typical career path be like for someone pursuing this career?
- ◆How competitive is the job market in this field? What is the outlook for the future?
- ◆Will I need to relocate?
- ◆Does your organization hire interns?
- ◆Do you have any information I could take with me about careers in this field and/or your organization?
- ◆May I have one of your business cards?
- ◆What is the appropriate dress and grooming for a person in this field?

MICHAEL LATAS

Job seekers should turn market around

If one could choose when to be looking for work, it would be during a good, expanding market versus a slow, contracting one. Unfortunately, people are not always given a choice, such as today's job seekers. They face a tough, sputtering job market. If you are caught looking for work in this stagnant job market do not despair, all is not lost. In fact, far from it. You must put today's job market into proper perspective; otherwise, you could draw the false conclusion that no one is hiring. This is simply not true.

National unemployment during the best markets averages at 5 1/2 percent. During the worst markets, the unemployment rate averages as 7 3/4 percent. The difference is that in a bad market, versus a good one, about two more people per hundred are unemployed. I am not trying to belittle the significance of being unemployed. It can be devastating if you are included in the additional 2 percent of people out of work.

The biggest difference between a bad and a good market is psychological, not numerical. During tough economic times, job search attitudes become very negative. People do not expect to find employment as quickly as they do during better times. The point is that the statistical difference between the two extreme job market conditions is just 2 percent, not some astronomical difference such as 10 or even 25 percent. People tend to make it harder on themselves because they are brainwashed into believing that there are not jobs available and that it should be hard to find employment.

A negative outlook, lack of confidence and weak job hunting

skills create more problems than the 2 percent difference in unemployment rates. People simply stop looking when they repeatedly see and hear negatives about their job market. Often, they allow this negative outlook to overtake their lives. What a shame.

How many job openings do you think there are created during a year in a weak job market? These statistics should help give you a new, more accurate perspective.

More than 10 million people are fired annually from their jobs.

Almost the same amount of people quit their jobs annually.

New companies start every year and need employees.

Some companies expand even in depressed markets and need to hire additional employees.

People retire or take early retirement from work each year and their jobs need to be filled.

People die every year. Some people become ill and can no longer work which results in available short term, long term or permanent positions.

Hundreds of thousands of non-advertised positions are filled each year by confidential replacements and through casual means.

I hope that these facts and statistics are starting to get your attention. Each year a tremendous amount of turnover takes place in the job market which creates millions of job openings. Each change represents a new job opportunity for you, the job seeker. With good job hunting skills and a lot of persistence, job seekers can turn any so-called "bad" job market into a good one.

LIFE AFTER GRADUATION

Communication skills key for job success

By KENDRA LOWN

Throughout my four years of college, everyone told me "Just wait until you graduate and enter the REAL WORLD!" I wondered what the real world was like. I was sure the real world would be much easier—no tests, no deadlines, no instructors. After graduation, I was sure bells were going to ring, lights flash, and employers beg to give me a \$40,000 a year job.

Wrong. Upon graduating in July 1993, I found out the REAL world is tough. Instead of tests there are job performance reviews, instead of instructors there's your employer. And deadlines... there are always deadlines, only in the real world the penalties are stiffer than a failing grade.

How can you prepare your-

self for the real world? By not only obtaining a college education, but also truly applying yourself in college. I'm a Missouri Southern graduate with a bachelor of arts in speech communication. I was active in Modern Communications Club, RHA, and Student Senate. As a junior I studied at Oxford University. As a senior, I interned at the corporate office of Leggett and Platt. While interning I met several business contacts that suggested I apply at Boatmen's Bank of Southwest Missouri.

I now have the job I've always worked toward. Only days after graduating and months after I had applied, Boatmen's Bank called. Three interviews and a wedding later, I joined the Boatmen's team in the marketing department. As the marketing coordinator, I change "hats" daily, sometimes hourly. Every

day is not just a challenge, but an adventure that requires versatility and adaptability. I am the cheerleader for all our associates, a bank representative at community events, a trainer, a liaison between the bank and advertising vendors, an informant to the press, and at times a customer service representative. I write customer letters, press releases, articles for the associate newsletter, and help in the design of advertisements. During my year at Boatmen's, I've done everything from passing out balloons to dipping cold cans of pop out of a horse trough full of ice water.

Being in the marketing department at Boatmen's Bank, I've learned the meaning of adaptability. Being in the REAL world I've learned the importance of people skills. To be successful in the highly competitive job world today you must be

able to communicate effectively and get along with people. No longer are classes teaching public relations and interpersonal skills only for communication majors. I would recommend every college student take as many communication classes as possible, because most jobs are retail oriented—even jobs in banking. Everyday I sell Boatmen's and I sell myself.

The REAL world is challenging, but if you apply yourself, develop your people skills, and take advantage of all college has to offer you, you will be able to meet the challenge!

Kendra Lown is a 1993 graduate of Missouri Southern. She is the marketing coordinator of Boatmen's Bank of Southwest Missouri.

JOYCE LAIN KENNEDY

Clip this checklist, give to references

A number of factors influence a hiring decision but references certainly are persuasive. Here's a handy checklist you can clip and give reference writers. It's from Ralph Brigham, director of career services at Montana State University-Bozeman.



Kennedy

Be Punctual. Please provide the reference promptly because a job may be lost if you are late.

Include Relationship. Were you a supervisor, company president, adviser, professor—what? A professor may see academic skills while a supervisor may identify work habits.

Be Factual. If you do not know the person well enough to give a reference, decline rather than be vague.

Use a resume. Work from a list of the candidate's accomplishments, organizations and other relevant information. It will jog your memory, plus put your experience in perspective.

Get examples. As well as performance within your organiza-

tion, categorize several different aspects of the candidate, identifying skills, attitudes, personal characteristics and growth. Instead of just saying the candidate is "responsible," give brief, concrete illustrations.

Present a professional image. Type the reference neatly. If you are filling out an evaluation form, do not restrict your reference to a small box. Use additional pages as needed. Your answer should not leave open to misinterpretation any questions.

Choose words carefully. Avoid bland language, such as:

nice, reasonable, good, decent, fairly and satisfactory. Use power words, such as: articulate, expressive, cooperative, dependable, effective, observant, creative, imaginative, significant, efficient and innovative.

Favorable attributes identified by the College Placement Council include: ability to communicate, intelligence, self-confidence, initiative, leadership, energy level, imagination, flexibility, interpersonal skills, self-knowledge, ability to handle conflict, goal achievement, competitiveness, appropriate vocational skills, and focus on direction.

Question Corner

"Do I have to dress up for Career Information Day? I am a freshman, so obviously am not going to get a full-time job by attending. I am just going to learn more about potential careers." — D.G.

"Yes! You should dress nicely for Career Information Day. Professional attire is always appropriate when meeting potential employers, even if you are not currently seeking a position. Remember, you are making your first impression. For men who are attending to get information, dress slacks and a collared shirt is appropriate. For men, particularly upperclassmen, or those seeking an internship, a suit or coat and tie with dress slacks is appropriate. Women should dress similarly. For those seeking more information, a nice skirt or slacks and blouse is appropriate. For women who are upperclassmen and those seeking internships, a suit or nice dress is appropriate.



—Jennifer Yazell
Career Services
Coordinator

Have a question about a career or graduate school? Send it to Paula at *The Chart* at 333 Webster Hall, call 625-9311, or fax it to 625-9742.

On-campus interviews

Interested persons may contact
Career Planning and Placement at 625-9343

When:	Who:	Position:	Majors:
Oct. 6	Baird, Kurtz, & Dobson	Staff Accountant	Accounting
Oct. 12	Love's Country Store	Manager trainee	Business related
Nov. 1	Sherwin-Williams	Manager trainee	Business related
Nov. 9	Peace Corps	Volunteer	All
Nov. 10	Wal-Mart	Manager trainee	All

Resumes must be submitted by Nov. 1 to Career Planning and Placement to be screened by the Wal-Mart recruiter.

CAMPUS
EVENTS
CALENDAR

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Today 29

1 a.m. to 1 p.m.—
Koinonia free lunch, basement, Stegge Hall.
Noon to 1 p.m.—
Latter-Day Saint Student Association, BSC 313.

Tomorrow 30

8 a.m. to 5 p.m.—
Officer Survival Seminar, Matthews Hall auditorium.
10 a.m.—
Billiards Trick Shot Artist Jack White, Lions' Den, class at 1 p.m.
1 p.m.—
Psychology Club, Taylor Hall, 123.
TBA—
Lady Lions Volleyball in Missouri Western Invitational, St. Joseph.

Saturday 1

Lions Cross Country at Southwest Missouri State Invitational, Springfield.
12:30 p.m.—
Lions Soccer vs Ottawa University, soccer field.
1 p.m.—
Lions Football vs Northeast Missouri State University, Kirksville.

Sunday 2

9:30 a.m.—
Fellowship Baptist Church College Sunday School, Baptist Student Union.
Noon—
Lions Soccer vs Christian Brothers University, soccer field.
7:30 p.m.—
Wesley Foundation Campus Ministry, First United Methodist Church Family Life Center (501 West 4th street, Joplin).

Monday 3

7 p.m. and 9:30 p.m.—
CAB Movie: Willie Wonka and the Chocolate Factory, BSC Lounge.

Tuesday 4

Noon to 1 p.m.—
Latter-Day Saint Student Association, BSC 313.
12:15 p.m.—
College Republicans, BSC 311.
12:15 p.m.—
Non-traditional Student Association meeting, First Floor Lounge, BSC.
2 p.m. to 4 p.m.—
Defensive Tactics class, Anderson Justice Center shooting range.
7 p.m.—
Koinonia main meeting, College Heights Christian Church (East on Newman, 1/4 mile past Duquesne).

Wednesday 5

11:30 a.m. to 4 p.m.—
Career Information Day, Young Gymnasium, Information: 625-9343.
1:30 p.m. to 4:30 p.m.—
Free, confidential HIV testing, Kuhn Hall.
3:30 p.m.—
Lions Soccer vs Northeastern State University, Tahlequah, OK.
5:30 p.m.—
Student Senate, BSC 310.
7 p.m.—
Lady Lions Volleyball vs Oral Roberts University, Tulsa, OK.

MARTIAL ARTS

Defense classes to begin Tuesday

New program results from student appeal

By GENIE UNDERNEHR
CAMPUS EDITOR

Starting Tuesday, the Anderson Justice Center will offer a defensive tactics training class.

John Karriman, defense tactics instructor at the Justice Center and chief instructor at the Butokuden West Aikikai, will teach Kokoro Aikijutsu and the principles of Aikido.

The classes are scheduled for Tuesdays from 2 p.m. to 4 p.m. and on Thursdays from 6 p.m. to 8 p.m. at the Justice Center shooting range. Monthly dues are \$25, and for an extra \$10 students may attend classes at Butokuden West.

"It's a good thing for people interested in going into the profession and for law enforcement and criminal justice majors who feel they may be in situations where they need to defend themselves," said Blake Wolf, head of the criminal justice program.

"The unique system of throws, joint locks, and control techniques makes this the most effective system available to military and police personnel," Karriman said.

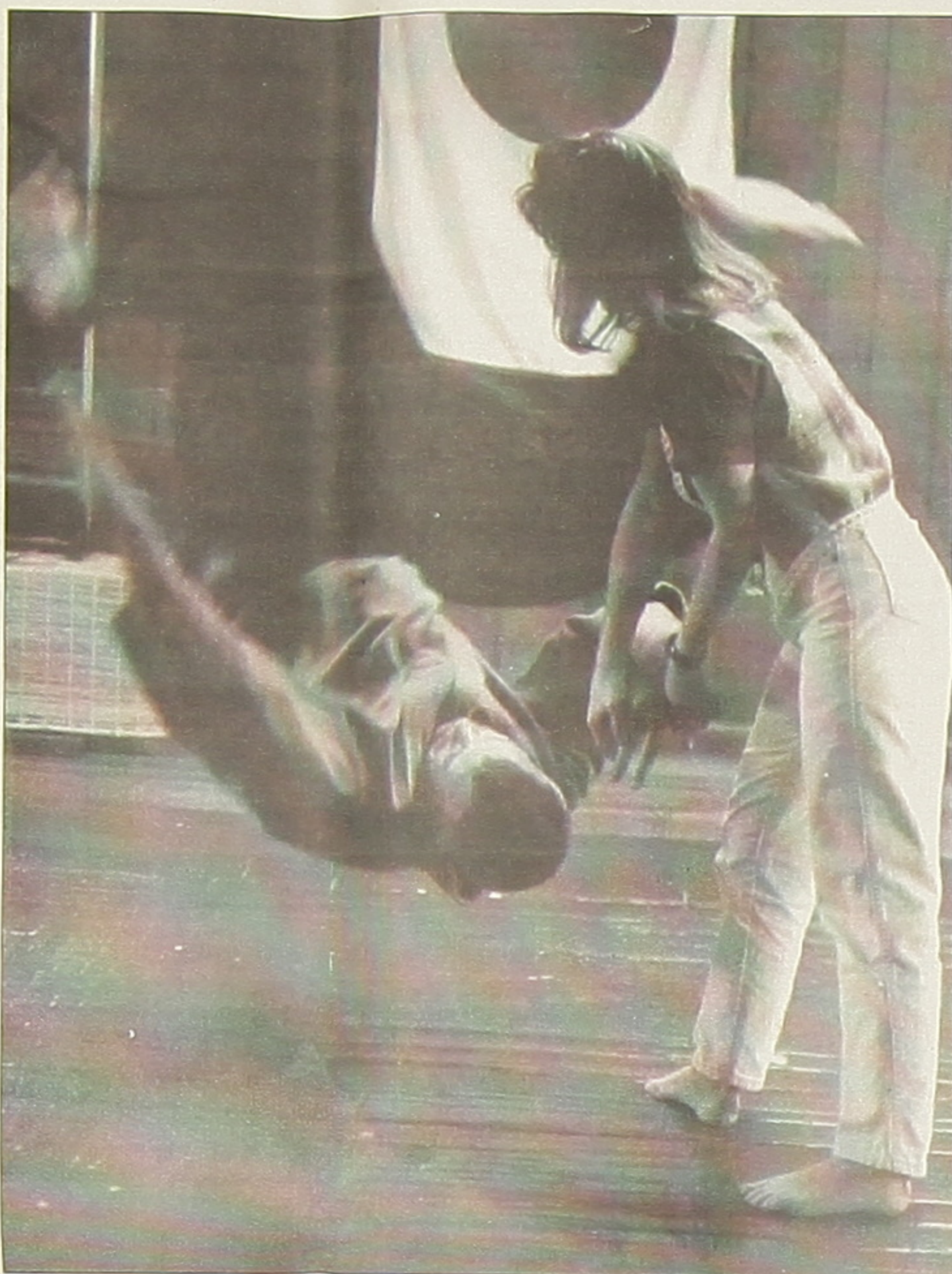
"The punch-block-kick technique is taught at most karate studios, but we go beyond that—we show how to control people."

Karriman said as a combat system, Aiki jutsu was codified before the start of the Kamakura period (1185-1333).

"Up until the Meiji restoration, the techniques were taught only within the circles of the highest-ranking samurai and his family," he said.

With the unification of the feudal states came a ban on the carrying of weapons, and the art evolved in the Meiji period (1868-1938).

"Techniques previously designed to kill or maim were modified to control and restrain," Karriman said.



John Karriman, defensive tactics instructor at the Anderson Justice Center, and a student volunteer demonstrate a throwing technique students can learn in the self defense classes given at the Center.

"The system was preserved and passed to keepers of the peace."

Wolf said the classes are a result of student requests.

"We had several students ask us about starting such a program," he said.

"They felt that when they graduated, had they not been through the police academy and defensive training techniques, this would be an opportunity for them to get this training."

Wolf said the classes are set up for people who have had prior training or no training at all.

"Students progress with their basic ability to stretch, punch, block, kick, escape from grabs, and take breakfall," Karriman said.

"Promotions are based on understanding and proficiency—everyone learns at his own pace."

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SPIVA LIBRARY

New periodicals make research easier

'The Lion' enables students to do papers via telephone

By TRICIA HILSABECK
STAFF WRITER

Every student's dream has just come true: Dial-a-Research Paper. Well, not quite, but it could be the next step.

Spiva Library has just installed two new periodical indexes in the current system, The Lion.

The program allows students to do their research via the telephone. With the always-advancing technology, all that is needed is a modem.

"You could dial in from home and have access," said Charles Kemp, head librarian.

The new program, Multiple Database Access System (MDAS), was installed for about \$20,000. Steve Earney, vice

president for information services, said many requests have been filed in the last couple of years for software such as this. The periodicals are an up-to-date source of information.

"The currency in periodicals makes them more useful in some disciplines," Earney said.

The index will have the same searching conventions as the program that is presently in use.

In fact, MDAS is really just an extension of what is already available. The library staff will be available to aid in the use of

the system if there are any questions. Earney doesn't foresee any major problems.

"It's so simple it won't require anything," he said.

The periodicals that will be added are the *Wilson Business Abstracts and General Sciences*, and the *Readers Guide and Humanities and Social Science Indexes*.

"It provides a great deal of convenience," Kemp said. "Students won't have to come to the library to do research. It will save them a trip."

CRIMINAL JUSTICE DEPARTMENT

All-day seminar to focus on officer survival

By GENIE UNDERNEHR
CAMPUS EDITOR

Tomorrow, the Anderson Justice Center will sponsor an all-day seminar on the importance of officer survival.

Blake Wolf, head of the criminal justice program, said the topic selection was based on suggestions made by local sheriffs and chiefs of police.

"Survival is not something officers only have to worry about eight hours out of a 24-hour day," he said. "This seminar will better prepare officers to meet that ultimate challenge of successfully resolving an armed or unarmed life-threatening situation."

The seminar will run from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. in the Matthews Hall auditorium with a break at

noon for lunch. The cost is \$55 to cover materials used.

Sgt. Jim Clark, a 14-year veteran of the Tulsa Police Department, is the

Clark said the seminar will cover various techniques, including stopping the attacker and non-reflex shooting. Instruction stresses the goal of preservation

"The seminar is designed to familiarize law enforcement officers with the dynamics of officer survival."

—Blake Wolf

keynote speaker.

"Jim came highly recommended," Wolf said. "He has instructed for federal agencies on this subject."

of the officer's life and emphasizes both the theory and the practical "how-to" approach.

"The seminar is designed to

familiarize law enforcement officers with the dynamics of officer survival," Clark said. "The information covered varies from the psychological to the analysis of statistics relating to how officers are killed."

Clark will present an overview of studies released by the Federal Bureau of Investigation about officers killed.

"I will address subjects such as ballistic barrier penetration—when you shoot a glass barrier, what happens to the projectile fired," Clark said. "I will also delve into the use of force—what happens when a bullet hits a body."

Clark said he wants everyone who attends to come away with one thing that will help them.

"I like police officers to stay

UFO LECTURE

Hastings
exposes
secret files

By WENDY RICH
STAFF WRITER

Information once classified as top secret was shown Monday evening to a group of nearly 200 in Webster Hall auditorium.

UFO expert Robert Hastings presented a lecture and slide show titled "UFOs: The Hidden History."

The lecture was sponsored by the Campus Activities Board. According to Hastings, the only price for admission was "an open mind."

Hastings revealed documents from the FBI, Department of Air Force, and other government agencies which reported several sightings of "unexplained objects traveling at high speeds." The documents also gave descriptions of glowing lights and high-pitched beeps coming from saucer-shaped objects.

He said the government has been aware of sightings and other UFO incidents for decades, but has not shared its knowledge with the public.

"The U.S. government has, rightly or wrongly—rightly in my opinion—kept things under rap until more information could be gathered," Hastings said.

"It really makes you stop and think," said Charli Wilson, sophomore undeclared major. "If the government is so powerful that they can keep that much information from the public, what else might they be able to do?"

Hastings showed a 30-minute slide-tape presentation. It included photographs of objects (presumably UFOs), clippings of news articles, excerpts from *War of the Worlds*, along with copies of some of the once top-secret documents.

Hastings said by early July 1947 sightings of UFOs had been reported from people in every state except for Georgia and West Virginia.

"It's hard to believe how many incidents were reported, which we knew nothing about," Wilson said.

According to Hastings, the largest number of reported sightings occurred Nov. 9, 1965, when a tremendous power outage crippled New York and Canada. That same evening, hundreds of reports of UFO sightings were made. This was known as the "Great Northeast Blackout."

Hastings said after several sightings occurred and people began to question the existence of UFOs the government released some top-secret papers.

"Unfortunately," he said as he showed marked-through pages, "this is what was seen (a page with only a couple of readable lines)."

After the slide presentation and lecture, the audience was given a chance to share its UFO experiences.

alive," he said. "A lot of the information presented won't become knowledge until it is shared with someone."

Clark presently serves as the command post supervisor of the special operations team for the TPD. He is an instructor at the TPD training academy and is a graduate of the United States Secret Service Dignitary Protection School and the United States Department of Justice Drug Enforcement Administration Narcotics Investigators School.

Clark has received training from the Los Angeles County Sheriff's Department on advanced weapons and tactics and has trained with the United States Navy Seal Team 5 in urban tactics, hostage rescue, and counter-terrorism measures.

SIGHTS,
SOUNDS,
and so on...

ON CAMPUS

Southern Theatre
417-625-9393
Oct. 19, 20, 21, 22—Vanities.
Dec. 3-4—The Frog Prince.
Matthews Hall Auditorium
Oct. 4—"The Browning
Version."
Oct. 18—"Therese
Desqueyroux."
Nov. 1—"Walls of Malapaga."
Nov. 15—"Hill 24 Doesn't
Answer."
Taylor Performing Arts
Center
Oct. 2—Alvin Ailey Reper-
tory Ensemble.
Nov. 3—MSSC Concert
Chorale.
Nov. 4—Comedian Steven
Wright.
Nov. 7—The Steel Bandits.
Nov. 10—Southwest
Missouri Community Band.
Nov. 14—The Gregg Smith
Singers.
Nov. 15—Missouri Southern
Jazz Band.
Dec. 5—Community
Orchestra.

JOPLIN

Champs Bar and Grill
782-4944
Spiva Center for the Arts
623-0183
Now till Oct. 9—The Art of
Women Printmakers.
Oct. 4—Photospiva Lecture
by Dennis Darling.
The Bypass
624-9095
Tomorrow—Missionaries.
Saturday—Walking on
Einstein.

CARTHAGE

Stone's Throw Dinner
Theatre
358-9665
Late Oct.—Lost in Yonkers.

SPRINGFIELD

Juanita K. Hammons Hall for
the Performing Arts
1-800-404-3133
Oct. 22—Swan Lake.
Dec. 17/18—The Nutcracker.
Springfield Art Museum
417-866-2716

Now through Nov. 13—
James McGarrell: Ten Years
of Big Paintings.

KANSAS CITY

Sandstone Amphitheatre
Sept. 30—Eagles.
Kemper Arena
816-931-3330
Oct. 28—Eric Clapton with
Jimmie Vaughn.
(Date is tentative)

ST. LOUIS

The Fabulous Fox
314-534-1678
Tonight—Steven Curtis
Chapman with Newsboys.
Tomorrow—Sinbad.
Oct. 1—Roger Daltry with
Zak Starkey and John
Entwistle.
Oct. 15—Tony Bennett.
Kiel Center
314-291-7600
Oct. 21—Frank Sinatra.
Oct. 27—Eric Clapton with
Jimmie Vaughn.
(Date is tentative)

TULSA

Uncle Bentley's
918-664-6967
Tonight—The Amazing
Spoonbills.
Oct. 4—Gus Hardin.
Oct. 6—Mad Daddy.
Oct. 7/8—Stephen Hero.
Oct. 14/15—Screaming Jimi.
Oct. 21/22—Steve Pryor.
Oct. 28/29—Big Kidd.
Expo Square
918-744-1113
Today through Oct. 9—
Tulsa State Fair.
Tulsa Zoological Park
918-669-6200
Oct. 1 through Nov. 4—Andy
Warhol's Endangered
Species Exhibit.
Philbrook Museum of Art
918-748-5316
Botticelli to Tiepolo: Three
Centuries of Italian Painting.

KXMS 88.7 FM.

New programs to spice fall season

Segments to feature Baroque, masters

By DAN WISZKON
ARTS EDITOR

Lovers of classical music can rejoice at the new schedule introduced Monday by KXMS 88.7 FM.

The new music playing at KXMS, Missouri Southern's 24-hour classical music station, includes inserts from the Missouri Southern International Piano Competition last April. Some added features include "Indianapolis On-the-Air," "Music Masters," and "Chicago's Music of the Baroque."

The Baroque segment is a 13-week series airing at 7 p.m. on Fridays starting tomorrow. It is making a comeback from the 1989 season and features music from 1600 to 1750.

Jeff Skibbe, general manager of KXMS, believes the Baroque music is a nice addition to the fall season.

"Listeners can expect some new programs that are rather unique," Skibbe said. "The

Music of the Baroque is unusual, and we chose it because it breaks away from the standard concerts we normally put on at 7 o'clock Friday nights."

Also added to the list of melodic selections is "The Best of Our Knowledge," a mixture of discussion of the arts and music that can be heard from 10-11 a.m. Sundays. Monday evenings feature the Salzburg Festival broadcasts.

Skibbe, who has been with KXMS since January 1990, designed and laid out the program schedule. He said the station's demographics are people from 40 to 60 years of age.

"They are primarily college-educated people who have an appreciation of the arts and music," Skibbe said.

The listening audience for KXMS is estimated at a few thousand. Listeners of classical music enjoy the nice, quiet sound the station provides.

"It's very relaxing to listen to," listener Dane Smith said.

ON THE AIR



DEBORAH SOLOMON/The Chart

Brian Sanders, senior communications major, is currently the operations manager at KXMS. Southern's 24-hour classical music station has already begun its fall season with some new programs.

MOVIE REVIEW

Simple plot stays on edge

By WILLIAM GRUBBS
STAFF WRITER

Jean-Claude Van Damme has done it again. He travels back in time in *Time Cop*.

Time Cop is Van Damme's latest thriller. It is full of the neck-breaking, nail-biting, and gut-wrenching violence the Belgian actor is famous for.

The plot is quite simple. Walker, played by Van Damme, is a present-day cop who is offered a job with the federal government in the field of time travel.

Apparently the technology has been created to make time travel possible.

Unfortunately, this technology has fallen into the wrong hands

and they have evil plans. Creative, huh? Anyway, it is Walker's job to go back in time to catch the bad guys before they profit from the changes they intend to make.

This movie has some exciting moments. Van Damme has some incredible fighting scenes where he shows the audience his impressive muscular ability. And for those who are interested, Van Damme gives his fans a close-up of his backside.

The special effects were great, but there were not enough of them.

Of what you got, the effects gave you a sense of reality. And really, isn't that what the goal of a motion picture is?

The acting, on the other hand, left something to be desired.

Since I am not a fan of Van Damme, maybe I am biased. However, take away the muscles, the hair, the accent, and what do you have? You have a man who should have chased the Mr. Universe title and left the acting to the professionals.

On a lighter note, *Time Cop* is a movie that keeps you on the edge of your seat. It gives you violent scenes, a lot of blood and bruises, and a plot which keeps you glued to the screen.

Do be careful of this movie. The story can get even the biggest science fiction addict confused.

Make sure you are awake and ready to be entertained or you will be lost. And as for Van Damme, maybe he's not so bad.

PICTURE PERFECT



Special to The Chart

This photo by Phil Moody won third place at Photospiva last year. The 19th annual Photospiva competition will begin Oct. 20.

JESSICA TANDY

Actress gone, but not forgotten

Fans remember star for her inspiration and spirit she showed on screen performances

By WILLIAM GRUBBS
STAFF WRITER

It is time to say good-bye to a legend. Jessica Tandy, an actress of stage and screen, died Sept. 11 at her home in Easton, Conn. She was 85.

Tandy has left us with heart-warming, comical productions which can be cherished on video. One of her best performances was in the movie *Driving Miss Daisy*. Tandy plays the role of Miss Daisy, an older, independent woman who has a driving accident and suddenly needs the services of a driver. Hoke, her African-American chauffeur, is played by Morgan Freeman. He is shunned by the stuffy Miss Daisy. The role of boss and driver changes as the years go by, and Miss Daisy begins to cherish Hoke as a dear friend.

Driving Miss Daisy is a wonderful movie set in the 1940s and continues through the early 1970s. The movie brings you to a time when racial equality was beginning to take a turn for the better. Tandy's performance won her the 1990 Academy Award for best actress, her biggest popular success.

Other performances for Tandy include *Fried Green Tomatoes*, co-starring Kathy Bates, *Batteries Not Included*, *Cocoon I and Cocoon II*, *The Story Lady*, and the list goes on.

Tandy began her career in her 20s. She was Broadway's original Blanche Dubois in the 1947



Jessica Tandy, right, won the 1990 Academy Award for her stellar performance in *Driving Miss Daisy*. She passed away earlier this month.

production of *A Streetcar Named Desire*, which co-starred Marlon Brando as Stanley Kowalski.

She also appeared with her husband in several performances on Broadway, in such plays as *The Fourposter*, *The Physicist*, *A Delicate Balance*, *Noel Coward in Two Keys*, *The Gin Game*, *Foxfire*, and *The Petition*.

Tandy has been a celebrated actress over the years. She was honored last June at the Tony Awards ceremony for a lifetime of achievement. She has starred in some inspirational movies which can be appreciated by all ages. I highly recommend taking a trip to your nearest video store so you can view the accomplishments of a legend.

SPIVA CENTER FOR THE ARTS

'94 Photospiva juror to lecture here Oct. 1

Darling returns to scene of 1991 triumph

By DAN WISZKON
ARTS EDITOR

When this year's Photospiva gets underway, a familiar name will serve as juror.

Dennis Darling, who captured first place at Photospiva in 1991, will take on the new role this year. The contest is presented by the George A. Spiva Center for the Arts.

Darling will give a lecture at 7:30 p.m. Saturday about some of the photos he selected for this year's competition. He also will present slides of his own work.

The 19th annual Photospiva competition is a national event that features photography from various artists.

"Photospiva is really a class act," said Spiva director James Martin. "It was started in 1976 and has grown into something that is recognized across the country as a very important exhibition of photography."

Photospiva is a national photography competition designed to increase awareness and appreciation of photography as a fine art medium. It also provides an opportunity for contemporary artists to gain recognition while exhibiting their work.

"Photospiva has gotten quite a good national reputation over the years," Martin said.

Martin said the jurors chosen for Photospiva are usually peo-

PHOTOSPIVA FACTS

BEGAN: 1976
PHOTOSPIVA IS: A national photography competition.
PURPOSE: To increase awareness and appreciation of photography as a fine art medium.
WHEN: Oct. 20
INFORMATION: Spiva Center for the Arts 623-0183.

ple with high standing in the art world. Last year's juror was Keith Davis, program director of Hallmark Cards.

Darling is an associate professor of photojournalism at the University of Texas in Austin. His photos have graced pages in such magazines as *Rolling Stone*, *Esquire*, *Fortune*, and *Modern Photography*.

This year's juror has taken captivating pictures of everything from Elvis impersonators to more startling subject matter like corpses in an Atlanta morgue, inmates in a New York jail, and Ku Klux Klan rallies in Texas. His work has been exhibited throughout the world, including major shows in Stockholm, London, Chicago, and New York.

For further information concerning Photospiva, persons may call the Spiva Center for the Arts at 623-0183.

SAFETY

Railroads pose enduring dilemma

By BECKI BROWN
STAFF WRITER

As railroad safety precautions improve, the number of accidents around crossings in Joplin are falling.

Kansas City Southern Railroad and the Joplin Police Department are working together to make the railroad crossings safer for employees and Joplin residents.

Due to accidents in the past and concern by residents, Kansas City Southern is striving to concentrate on the safety of community members and railroad employees.

"We have upgraded our physical plant," said Steve Pence, superintendent of Kansas City Southern's northern division.

"We are attempting to provide a safer work environment. We also are concentrating more on signals and railroad crossings."

Seven train accidents have been reported in the Joplin area in the past year.

The accidents have resulted in seven injuries but no fatalities.

ties. The Joplin Police Department regularly stations an officer on trains passing through Joplin to monitor motorist compliance with railroad safety laws.

Motorists who fail to yield at railroad crossings are reported to a mobile unit which follows up on the violation.

Police continue to regularly monitor the speed of trains passing through the city.

"We run radar on the trains at least once a month," said Sgt. Ed Brown. "Many train accidents are being blamed on trains which were going too fast."

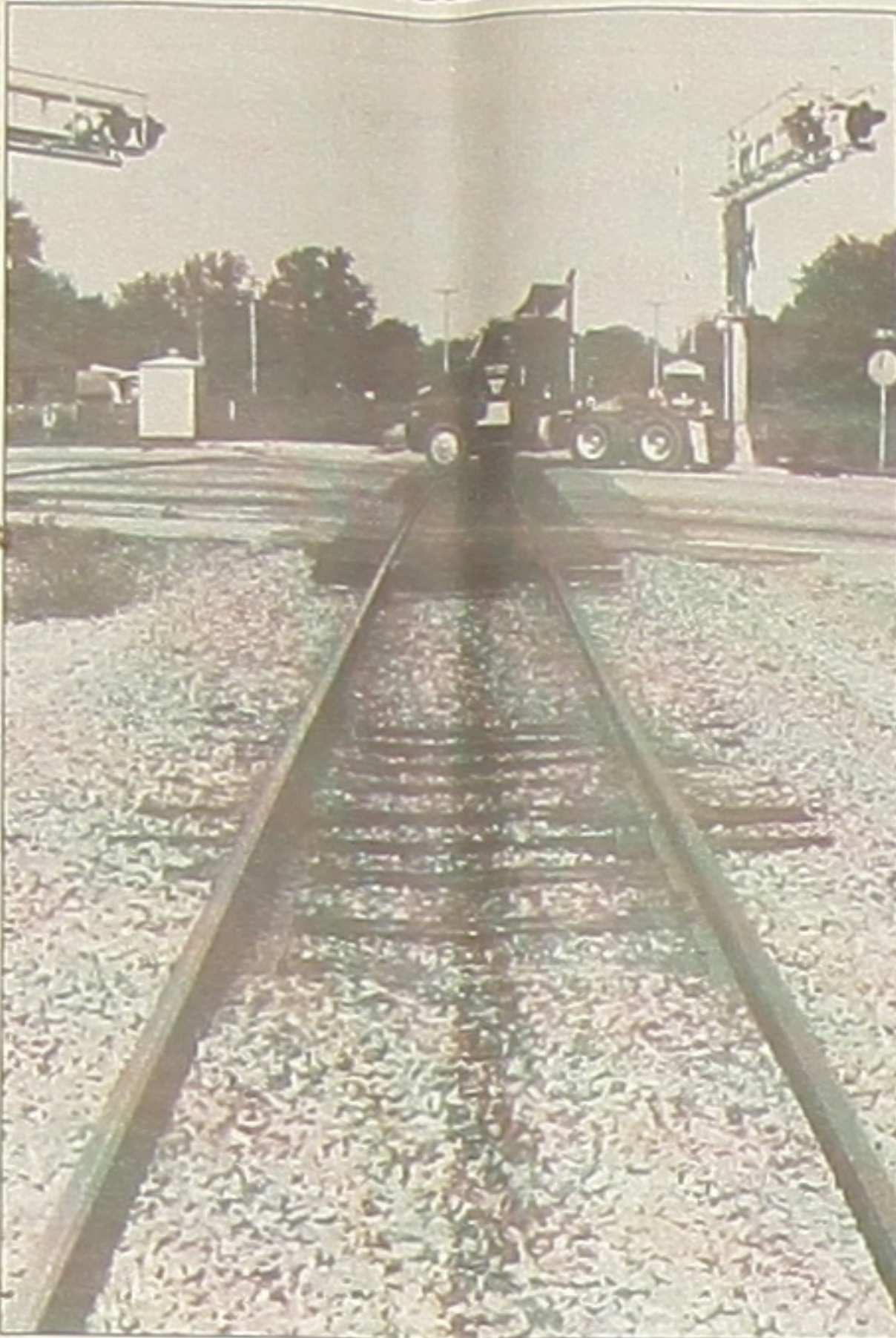
Complaints of poor locations of crossings have also been common.

"Your line of vision is not [clear] in locations such as 20th and Michigan," Brown said.

Buildings close to the tracks may impair motorist vision and increase the number of accidents.

"Trains are required to blow their whistles at least a quarter of a mile from the crossings," Brown said.

POINT OF CONCERN



JOHN HACKER/The Chart

Traffic crosses the Kansas City Southern tracks at 20th Street. Joplin police officers regularly monitor crossings for violations.

SENTINEL PROGRAM

Group 'rolling along as usual'

25 volunteers help police department with some situations

By CRAIG BEFFA
CITY NEWS EDITOR

The Sentinel program, a citizen program designed to help the Joplin Police Department, is "rolling along as usual."

According to Phil Garvin, coordinator

"We basically do lock-outs, traffic control at accidents or fires, assist motorists, and we do vacation house-checks for people who are out of town."

—Phil Garvin

of the program, approximately 25 people have volunteered to work from 5 p.m. to 10 p.m. or later plus when needed during the day.

"We basically do lock-outs, traffic control at accidents or fires, assist motorists, and we do

vacation house-checks for people who are out of town," Garvin said.

Garvin said volunteers must fill out a detailed application and go through two screening processes.

"We need to do a little checking through the police department to see that everything is OK," he said.

After the background check, potential volunteers are interviewed. Once the application is approved and the screening process is complete, the volun-

teer then must complete approximately 40 hours of training ranging from traffic control to observations.

Persons interested in the Sentinel program may apply at the Joplin Police Department.

GALENA MINES

EPA ridding area of hazardous materials

Completion date for clean-up set for December 1994

By TRICIA HILSABECK
STAFF WRITER

One of the world's largest mining sites has been removed from the Kansas landscape.

The mountains of hazardous waste left from the mining projects in Galena, Kan., have been cleaned up through Environmental Protection Agency's Superfund program.

"None of the funds have come through this office," said Genie Holstrom, Galena city clerk.

The site was put on the national priority list in the 1980s after it was determined to be a human health risk. High levels of lead were found in soil samples, and heavy metals were being emitted into the air.

"The main reason that it was placed on the national priority

list was because of the lead, zinc, and cadmium," said Daryll Emerson, government representative with the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers. "These are heavy metals that affect respiratory systems and can cause kidney problems in humans."

The EPA said it has no known reports of complaints from residents. Testing done in conjunction with the clean-up showed approximately 11 percent of children in the area have elevated blood-lead levels.

"The EPA doesn't wait for documented problems," said Mark Doolan, remedial project manager.

Exposure assessments were done by both the Missouri and Kansas health departments to determine the "score" for the mining sites. The score is determined by the ratio of the chemical concentration to the number of people in the area. Any site that scores above 28 points becomes a priority.

Emerson said that he personally would "hate to live in this

area and breathe this stuff."

But the \$8 million project has cleared the hazardous materials from the Galena area.

"It's all completely gone," Emerson said. "Everything is leveled off, and the contaminants have been removed."

A channel is now being built between old Route 66 and the new Route 66 to ensure the water is kept free of chemicals. The project began in June 1993 and completion is anticipated for December 1994.

Besides the restoration of health, some aesthetic benefits were also evident to residents.

"It looks much better," said Rayma Eckler, of the Galena city clerk's office. "They've done a whale of a job."

Many other cities remain on the priority list. Emerson said the federal government will continue the clean-up "as long as the money stays afloat."

As for Galena, when the channels and tributaries are finished, "the only thing left to do is to get the grass growing," Doolan said.

SOMETHIN' FOR NUTHIN'



JOHN HACKER/The Chart

Rose Dean (right) and her husband, Al, of Carl Junction, were first in line for a free lunch at the Consumers at Seventh Street and Maiden Lane. Radio station KIX 94 FM co-sponsored the giveaway.

HANCOCK, from page 1

Proposition A, which was implemented in 1987 and raises \$142.7 million annually, are not included in the state's spending limit, but Hancock II recategorizes the taxes to include them under the state's tax lid—an act that opponents say will cause an excess.

"I will give you a guarantee that if this passes, there will be cuts," said Moody, former state budget director and representative for the opponents at Saturday's forum.

"You can figure out the numbers yourself. We are \$200 million under the limit. By taking the two taxes that are already being collected (Propositions A and C), you add \$700 million."

"You are over the limit. An excess is created. An excess requires a refund. A refund requires a cut in services. Clear. Simple. That is what this is about."

Leon said the excess could be as much as \$1 billion. In a statement issued by Southeast Missouri State University, Mark Grimm, a bond attorney with Gilmore and Bell of St. Louis, said the impact of the amendment on state revenues "is so dramatic that an effect of \$1 billion to \$5 billion is being projected."

Hancock disagrees wholeheartedly that the amendment would cause cutbacks of such severity.

"If we pass Hancock II and what they say will happen hap-

pens, I will personally head a committee to repeal Hancock II in its entirety," he said.

Leon said the amendment is difficult to understand.

"That's part of the problem with the amendment itself—it's very vague and it's difficult to interpret," Leon said. "Mr. Moody says that \$500 million would have to be refunded immediately, this fiscal year, and then \$500 million the following year."

Leon said the amendment will have a greater impact than what amendment proponents claim.

"The amendment has been promoted to the public as simply a measure that would allow them to vote on every tax increase in the future, when in fact it does far more than that."

"If it was an amendment designed to do just that, all it would take is just one paragraph to do that. Instead, we've got an eight-page amendment to the constitution."

"Obviously you have other things in mind when you have an eight-page amendment, and the idea is that by reconfiguring those measures that have already been approved by the public as state revenues, then you cause the state to exceed the spending limit, which triggers a refund. The argument is that you would have to make cuts and then all you would have to do is ask the voters for the money back."

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Open WIDE

Crawford enjoys juggling pair of dental practices

By DUANE SIDNEY
CHART REPORTER

For those people who dread going to the dentist, Dr. Eric Crawford can certainly sympathize.

"Hopefully we can soon put aside the old stereotype—the negative image of the dentist that people carry," he says.

With today's modern technologies, many of the painful side effects of yesteryear's dental procedures have been eliminated. Crawford, who works in Missouri Southern's dental clinic Tuesday afternoons and Thursdays, says the future of dentistry does indeed look quite bright.

"It's a real exciting time in dentistry.... We're getting a lot of new materials to help restore teeth better," he said.

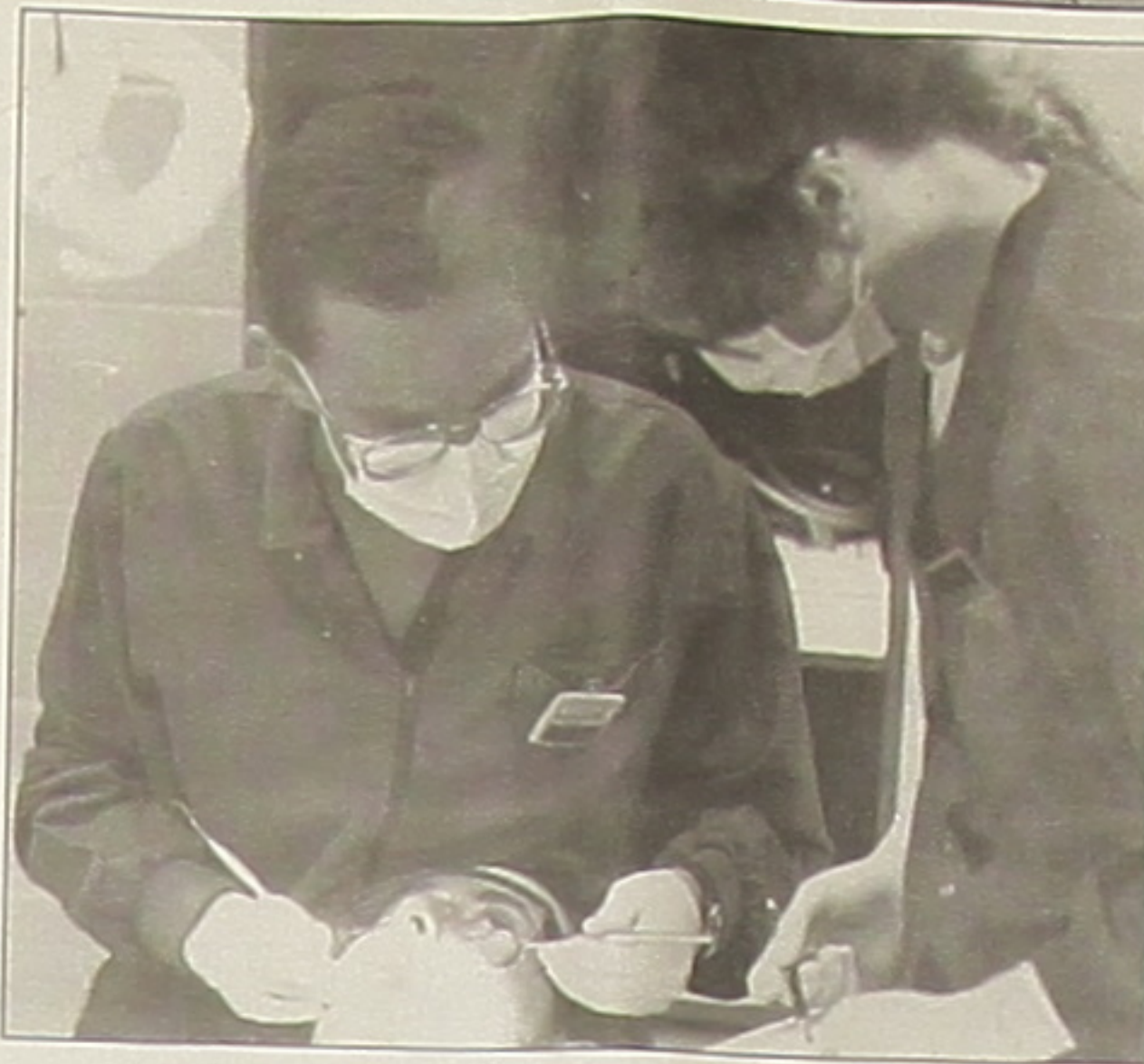
Joining Southern's dental staff in August 1993, Crawford speaks highly of its dental program, whereby students literally receive "hands-on" training.

"We're really fortunate to have this program here at Missouri Southern because it serves the community really well. I'm proud to be a part of it," he said.

In addition to his on-campus dental office, he also operates a private practice in nearby Carthage as well. While juggling two separate dentistry practices may seem like quite a chore, Crawford enjoys the challenge.

"Personally, I like it because it's a nice break in my routine. The pace is a little different from my general practice," he said.

Raised in Channing, Texas, Crawford speaks fondly of his home state. "I enjoyed living



DUSTIN HENDERSON/The Chart

Eric Crawford, College dentist, works on a patient at the campus dental clinic. Crawford juggles his campus practice with one in Carthage.

there; it was a lot of fun. There's a lot of history down there," he said.

After earning his bachelor of science degree at West Texas State University, he received his professional training at the University of Texas Dental School in San Antonio, graduating in 1991. Crawford is also quite proud to note that his school was rated as the No. 1 dental school in the country last year by U.S. News and World Report.

In his spare time, Crawford enjoys a wide variety of hobbies,

ranging from tennis to motorcycling. Listening to country-western music and frequenting the horse track also rank near the top of his recreations. While not getting much opportunity to travel, he would like to visit the northwestern United States someday.

"I hear that it's really beautiful up there," he said.

Crawford offers some practical advice to students that can be applied to all aspects of life.

"Strive for perfection," he says, "but be willing to settle for excellence."

ENGLISH DEPARTMENT

Denham continues studies

By JESSICA OEHLISCHLAGER
CHART REPORTER

Is it possible for a college instructor to be a non-traditional student?

After raising her three children, Virginia Denham, part-time English instructor at Missouri Southern, decided it was time to continue with her education.

"I always wanted to go back to school, but things kept getting in the way: marriage, my husband was in the Air Force, and the kids," Denham said.

Denham put an end to the obstacles delaying her education and enrolled at Southern. She received her bachelor of science in English and achieved her goal.

Upon graduation, Denham taught seventh-grade English at Joplin Middle School. Two years later, Denham challenged herself again and received her master's from Pittsburg State University.

"I have always wanted to teach English because I enjoy literature and reading so much," she said.

In the spring of 1987, Denham began teaching Basic Composition courses at Southern.

She not only teaches English but also individuality.

"I encourage my students to write their own thoughts and want what they think I expect or want them to write," Denham said.

She is intrigued with how she is able to get to know the students through their writing. Denham says it is gratifying to see all of the different personalities that are revealed.

"I teach for the pure joy of it," she said with a smile.

Denham enjoys watching the students mature and develop in their writings throughout the semesters.

She has not only seen Southern students progress but also PSU students. She has taught English composition courses there, too.

Teaching does not conclude the life of Denham. She is a wife, mother, and grandmother. Her husband, Gene, is a CPA in Joplin. They have three children and three grandchildren.

"My grandchildren keep me busy," Denham says. "I like to spend a lot of my spare time with my family."

Swimming and walking occupy some of her time, too. She enjoys swimming in the aquasize class at Southern.

Denham also stays busy broadening her horizons through traveling. She has journeyed to Russia and China. She says they were both learning experiences and that she enjoyed seeing the variations of living.

Setting yet another goal to strive for, Denham would like to travel to Jerusalem in the future so she can learn more about its culture.

Denham offers her students much more than an English composition class. She reveals how it is possible to achieve—even with obstacles.



Virginia Denham

CRIMINAL JUSTICE DEPARTMENT

Police officer turns teacher

Owen's experiences in field work to students' advantage

By JENNAFER STOKES
CHART REPORTER

After graduating from the National FBI Academy and accumulating 21 years of police service, Dale Owen decided to bring his experience to Missouri Southern.

"As a police officer I did a lot of teaching and instructing to students and personnel, as well as organizations through the community," Owen said, "so it was the natural progression coming and teaching here."

Owen, training coordinator of the Anderson Justice Center, is a graduate of Southern and Joplin's first police academy. He then spent almost 21 years on the Joplin police force. In that time he was accepted into the National FBI Academy in Quantico, Va.

"I had the opportunity to be recommended," Owen said. "I had to wait six years after being accepted until they had an opening where I could go."

Over the course of the years, Owen moved up the ranks in the Joplin police department. He retired as a drill commander.

"There I did all types of things," Owen said. "I was a media officer and did a lot of news releases. It was my job to deal with the media at the scene."

As a young boy, Owen was influenced by other police officers.

"I was just lucky to know a couple of police officers as I was growing up," he said. "I had some who were neighbors and that had some influ-

ence." Owen started working full-time at Southern this past summer. He oversees the scheduling of instructors and classes at the Justice Center. However, he teaches a few classes and says he enjoys passing on experience to his students.

"The interaction with students is the most important thing I see," Owen said. "I do have experience, and being able to relate the experience and training has been real helpful to me. We can talk about real events."

Owen believes he can convey information with respect to real-life situations.

"Hopefully, I can make things easier for them (students) with my experience," he said.

Owen has a wife and two children. He believes Joplin has been a good place to raise a family.

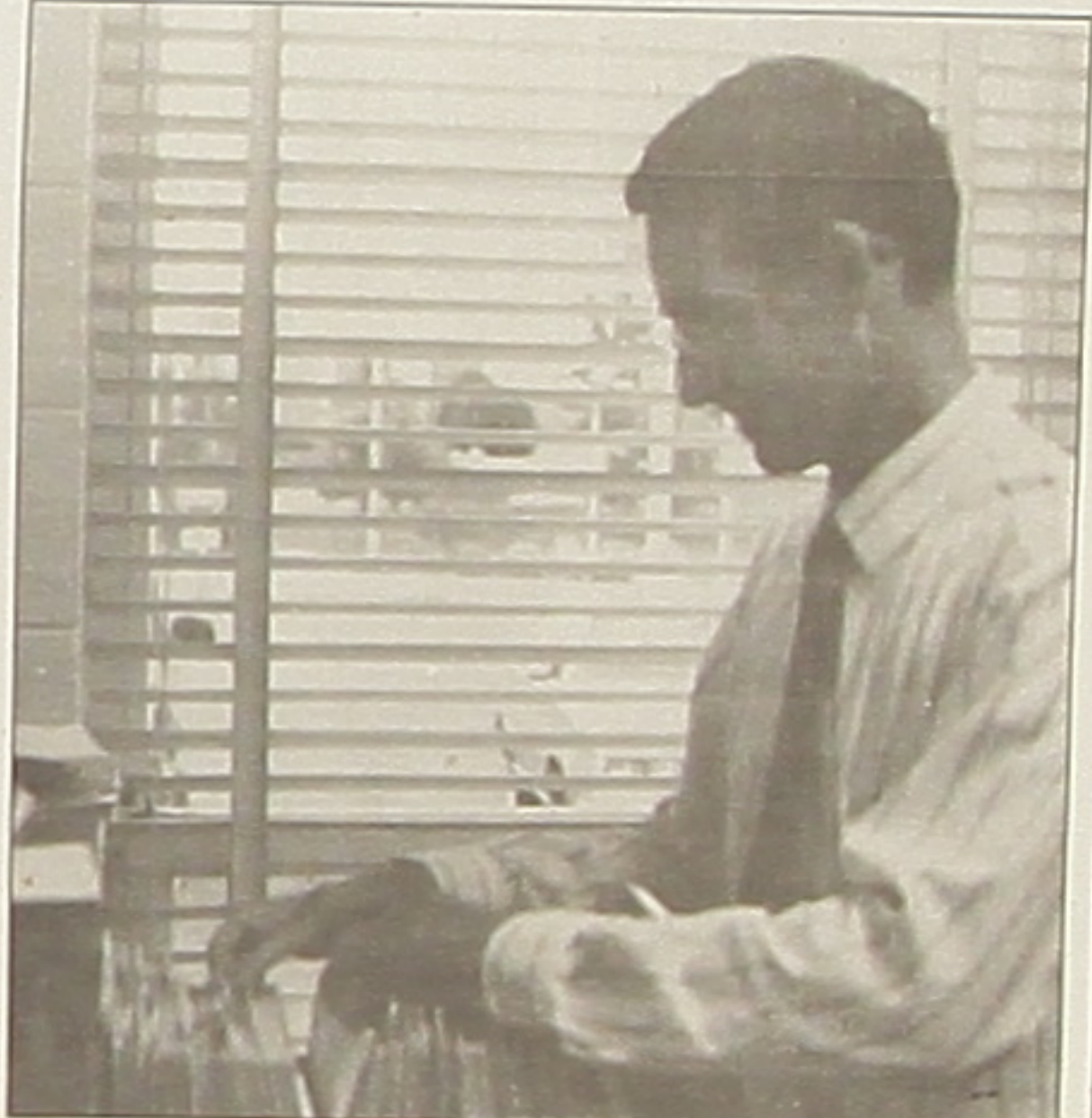
"I have lived in here 22 years," Owen said. "I think Joplin is an excellent community to live in, and I've had a good working relationship here. I've lived in bigger cities like Kansas City, and they've got problems inherent to their size."

Most of the traveling Owen has done has involved camping and fishing, two of his favorite hobbies.

"I love to camp and fish, so that fits right in with this part of the country," he said.

Owen has also done some fishing in Canada, Colorado, and on the West Coast.

"I've had the opportunity to sit out in the natural habitat and enjoy the scenery and opportunities it presents," he



DUSTIN HENDERSON/The Chart

After 21 years of police experience, Dale Owen made the move to the classroom. Owen is training coordinator at the Justice Center.

CRIMINAL JUSTICE DEPARTMENT

Ask for an inch, Odem gives a mile

By VICKI STEELE
CHART REPORTER

Walking the extra mile is something Sharon Odem, criminal justice administration secretary, does on a regular basis.

Odem is captain of the CJ (Criminal Justice) Rookies team in the Get Fit 66 Wellness Program.

Her September goal was to "walk" from Chicago to Los Angeles.

The 2,448-mile length of Route 66 is used as a guideline. Each mile walked by a team member is equal to 50 miles of the highway. In less than two weeks Odem had walked more than half of her destination.

She likes to walk in the evenings with Gary, her husband of 19 years.

"I get my work done, then I can just relax and walk...listening to nature, the birds, or the stillness of the country," Odem said, smiling.

She also believes in "walking the extra mile" both at work and with her family. Odem has a daughter, 16, and a son, 12.

"I don't do anything in my own personal life that I wouldn't want my children to do," she said. "That goes with

using alcohol, watching R-rated movies, the whole nine yards."

Odem joined the criminal justice department in June. She spent the summer updating the law enforcement academy's unit objectives from 120 to the 300 hours now required for law officers. She helped type the larger two-volume notebooks to be used by students.

Before joining Southern, Odem was a latchkey instructor for nine years. Her duties covered a four-county area.

"I felt good about my job, because some children's lives were saved because of the latchkey program," she said.

Missouri Southern is not new to her. Odem received her A.S. data processing degree in 1975 at the College. She said she has enjoyed coming back and seeing all the changes.

"I can see all the improvements in the buildings and how much the school has grown," Odem said. "This College is a wonderful asset to the community."

Born in Carthage and raised on a farm near Jasper, she has lived in this area all of her life. Odem hopes her children also attend Southern.

Every year the Odems take a special trip. This year they visited Red Rock Canyon, the Painted Desert, and Las Vegas.

Even on vacation, she found some time for hiking.

"I like to get out and see the different terrains," Odem said.



Sharon Odem

CRIMINAL JUSTICE DEPARTMENT

Scott turns efforts toward full-time teaching

By RONA C. KELLER
CHART REPORTER

Lawyer, adviser, wife, mother, and assistant professor of criminal justice are a few accomplishments Trina Scott has added to her success list.

"I knew I always wanted to teach," Scott said. "The criminal justice field is so fascinating, and my experience as a lawyer has led me here."

Scott accepted the full-time position at the beginning of this semester. Before that she was a part-time business instructor for eight years at Southern.

Scott also worked as a legal adviser for Jasper County Court for 11 years while teaching part-time.

"I've spent a lot of time preparing for the courses I'm teaching this semester," Scott said.

She is teaching Introduction to Law Enforcement, Interview and Report Writing, and Criminal Procedures and Business Law II.

As a lawyer and pre-law adviser, Scott would like to improve the pre-law program. In October she will attend a semi-

"Everyone has been extremely kind, and adjustment has been easy. I only hope to improve each semester as an instructor."

—Trina Scott

nar in Chicago to bring back more information for those who are interested in pre-law.

Starting in October Scott will be organizing the pre-law meetings once a month. She is in charge of getting speakers to come and talk to the students.

"I invite anyone to come and join us," she said. Scott encourages students who are interested in pre-law to attend a meeting or talk to her.

Scott graduated from Indiana University and went on to graduate from law school at the University of Missouri at Columbia.

Her husband, Dan, is also a lawyer in Joplin. They have two children who attend Thomas Jefferson Independent Day School.

Scott says she enjoys tennis and runs everyday.

"I try to run very early in the morning or very late at night, sometimes over lunch," she said. "Of course, my kids keep me busy."

"Everyone has been extremely kind, and adjustment has been easy," Scott said. "I only hope to improve each semester as an instructor."



DUSTIN HENDERSON/The Chart

Trina Scott (right) joined the criminal justice department faculty full time this fall.

FOOTBALL

Lions turn on 'Juice' in 42-16 win

Southern to face tough road test against nationally ranked NEMO

By RICK ROGERS
SPORTS EDITOR

The football Lions will take a trip this weekend, but it will hardly be a vacation.

Coming off a 42-16 win over Southwest Baptist University, the Lions (1-2) face the task of battling the No. 10 Northeast Missouri State University Bulldogs (3-0) Saturday in Kirksville.

One weapon they plan to employ is the running game of Albert Bland. Against the Bearcats, Bland racked up 278 yards on 24 carries and scored two touchdowns. Bland opened the home season for the Lions with a 79-yard run on the second play from scrimmage.

"I think Albert has elevated himself," said head coach Jon Lantz. "I think he is in the top three or four running backs in the league."

"He is doing a better job than ever in being able to utilize his speed in a game situation. You have to give a lot of credit to his offensive line."

Last season, the Lions defeated NEMO 41-37 in a come-from-behind victory at Hughes Stadium. Southern threw for 347 yards against the Bulldogs, but Lantz said the Lions will not abandon their balanced attack on offense.

NEMO finished fifth in the MIAA last year with a 6-5 overall record, but Bulldogs head coach Eric Holm said he thinks his team has improved over last season.

"Time will tell," Holm said. "Our players have high expectations and are as optimistic as any group we have coached here. They understand how we want things done."

Leading the Bulldogs on offense are quarterback Steve Thompson and running back Jarrett Anderson. Thompson leads the MIAA in passing proficiency and possesses good mobility. Anderson is the current conference leader in rush-

HUNTING FOR BEARCAT



JOHN HACKER/The Chart

Southern Baptist quarterback Lance Roweton (6) scampers from Southern linebackers Richard Jordan (94) and Melvin Monet (50).

ing and was the 1993 MIAA Freshman of the Year.

"Our strength is mainly our balance," Holm said. "We have been throwing and running pretty decently. We have the leading rusher in the league and the leading passer in the league."

Defensively, NEMO will look toward linebackers Matt Nelson and Scott Showers to stop the Lions' running game. The Bulldogs are also returning four defensive backs to protect against the pass.

"We have to play well, that is for sure," Holm said. "They (Southern) have nice big line-men that get off the ball well.

They control the ball well on the ground, and we'll have to play physically, that is for sure."

Lantz believes his squad matches well against NEMO, but said his team will have to play well in the first half to win.

"Offensively I think we mix well," Lantz said. "I think we blend the run and pass well, and the same way they do. Our offense is very similar to NEMO's. I think we can run well, and that would probably present them the greatest difficulty."

Quarterback Doug Switzer left last week's game at halftime after experiencing tightness in

his back. Lantz said Switzer's muscle had tightened because of the lack of activity during the game. Switzer took only 16 snaps and passed on five occasions.

G.W. Posey took over at quarterback in the second half and directed the Lions to a victory.

"Our team feels like we have two quarterbacks now," Lantz said. "I'm not real sure; I think Doug is still considered our No. 1 quarterback, but I think G.W. did such a fine job Saturday. I think you have the possibility of seeing them both play."

After Bland's early score, the Bearcats answered at the 5:55 mark of the first quarter, but

the Lions scored two quick touchdowns to give them a 21-6 lead.

The Bearcats came into the game with a double-load option scheme on offense to penetrate the right side of the Lions' defense. The scheme had apparent success in the first half, with SBU keeping the halftime score close at 21-16.

Southern adjusted, however, and scored 21 unanswered second-half points.

"I felt like it was a much-needed win," Lantz said. "It was a confidence builder. We placed ourselves in a situation in which the SBU game had become a must game."

By RYAN BRONSON
MANAGING EDITOR

Lady Lions improve to 2-3 in MIAA

After an 0-3 start in conference play, the Missouri Southern volleyball team is finally starting to "gel."

Freshman standout Stephanie Gockley continued her strong play at the net with 11 kills and six solo blocks, and sophomore Neely Burkhardt had 12 kills as the Lady Lions strolled past Southwest Baptist University 15-5, 15-10, 15-6 Tuesday night in Bolivar.

The win gave Southern its second straight conference triumph and kept SBU winless at 0-4 in the MIAA and 0-8 overall.

The Lady Lions (2-3 in MIAA,

4-6 overall) earned their first conference victory Saturday versus Missouri Western.

Head coach Debbie Traywick said her team is beginning to show signs of consistency.

"We're starting to gel as a team," Traywick said. "Our unity is getting better and we're developing our roles."

Senior Becky Harrell continued to set well, gathering 29 assists in the match against SBU. Jenny Easter had six digs.

Lyn Dee Harrelson complemented Gockley's fine play at the net with four solo blocks, an area that Traywick said the Lady Lions had room for improvement.

"We've really improved our

blocking," Traywick said. "Our blocking and hitting both have been getting a lot better."

Tina Snow suffered a sprained ankle in the match.

Northwest Missouri State d. Missouri Southern 15-11, 15-11, 15-8: Northwest handed Southern its third straight conference loss despite Gockley's 12 kills and Easter's 12 digs Friday night at Young Gymnasium.

Burkhart and Harrelson each added eight kills for the Lady Lions.

Harrell racked up 29 assists, and two service aces versus Northwest Missouri State.

Suzi Fabian, MIAA player of the week, had 11 kills and a .625 hitting percentage against

Southern.

Hayley Hanson and Angie Crouch also added seven kills for Northwest Missouri State.

Missouri Southern d. Missouri Western 15-11, 15-5, 15-13: In the Lady Lions' first conference win Burkhardt stole the show with a team-high 15 kills and 16 digs.

Gockley added 11 kills and Harrell had 38 assists in just three games.

Missouri Western was led by Tiffany Bock with a .250 hitting percentage and 1 kill. Shelly Lowery added to the Lady Griffon attack with 11 kills.

Southern will travel to St. Joseph to play in the Missouri Western Invitational on Sept. 30.

INTRAMURALS

GET INVOLVED: Intramural officials say student involvement is holding steady

By RICK ROGERS
SPORTS EDITOR

Many students at Missouri Southern forget to get off the bench and get involved with intramurals.

Intramurals began earlier this semester with tennis, golf, and sand volleyball. The men's intramural tennis tournament champion was Scott Lawrence.

The sand volleyball championships will be today. The men's championship will be at 3:30 p.m., with the co-ed championship at 5 p.m.

Sand volleyball has had the most response from the students with 11 teams involved.

"Right now we are about average," said Cindy Wolfe, intramural director. "It is typical numbers, and I would love to see it go up."

The most popular intramural sport among the men is flag

football, which started yesterday.

"Football is a fun sport and gives you a chance to break away from your studies," said Zack Kuhlmann, freshman pre-medicine major. "It gives you a

chance to get involved with other students."

The intramural program at Southern provides students the chance to interact with others and meet new friends.

"Intramurals are a great way for people to associate with others," said Jill Beyer, sophomore criminal justice major.

In the winter season, Wolfe said she hopes the number of students

will rise to due to many various activities. Intramurals offered will be racquetball, volleyball, three-on-three basketball, and a basketball shootout.

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—Cindy Wolfe

ASK THE COACH

Coach Jon Lantz, With Doug Switzer leaving Saturday's game with an injury, will we see Switzer or G.W. Posey start against the Bulldogs of Northeast Missouri State?—L.J.



JON LANTZ
Head Football Coach

"Our team feels like we have two quarterbacks now. I am not real sure, I think Doug is still considered our No. 1 quarterback, but I think G.W. did such a fine job Saturday. I think you have the possibility of seeing them both play."

Have a question for one of the Missouri Southern coaches? Send it to Rick Rogers, *The Chart*, 333 Webster Hall, call 625-9311, or fax it to 625-9742.

SPORTS COLUMN



T.R. HANRAHAN

At least some people around here are getting a kick out of the fall semester.

They may not have a stadium to play in, but if you take the time to look behind the Missouri Southern campus you'll see some great action. The Lions' soccer team stands 4-4 overall and 1-0 in MIAA play. I know those numbers don't exactly raise the roof, but it's the story behind the numbers that deserves a closer look.

About this time of year in 1991, *The Chart* staff heard a nasty rumor that the College was considering elimination of the soccer program altogether. *The Chart* interviewed men's athletic director Jim Frazier and former head coach Scott Poertner. Frazier said the athletic department was not considering elimination of soccer but the program did need a full-time coach.

Three years later, the team still does not have a full-time coach. It has better. It has George Greenlee. Greenlee has quietly brought the soccer Lions back from near extinction.

Not only are Greenlee's Lions still playing, they're playing pretty well. Consider these numbers (as of Monday) for a minute:

•Missouri Southern is second in the MIAA in team offense. The Lions trail the University of Missouri-St. Louis Rivermen in goals-per-game 3.43 to 2.88.

•Sophomore Todd Eaton is second in the conference in scoring, trailing only Todd Rick, a UMSL junior. Eaton is also second to Rick in goals per game.

•Three other Lions join Eaton on the list of scoring leaders issued this week by the MIAA. Junior Brett Ulrich and seniors Ryan Griesemer and Jorge Pereira also made the list. The only other team with as many is UMSL.

When you look behind the individual numbers, the fact that Eaton is anywhere close to Rick in scoring is amazing. Rick had three goals and two assists in two games last week en route to MIAA player of the week honors.

When you think about it, this kind of a program is refreshing. Major League Baseball was more popular than ever in 1994, yet it is dead for the year.

Southern soccer was rumored to be on its deathbed in 1991, and in 1994 it has players keeping pace with the best players in NCAA Div. II.

As the debate over Hancock II begins to intensify, I have heard some people call for the elimination of athletics. While the primary purpose of a college or university is to educate young people, the importance of intercollegiate athletics cannot be denied.

In such a scenario, elimination of all athletics would almost certainly not be an option. First, the institution would never stand to lose an easy revenue source. Second, the alumni would howl loudly.

The first to go would be programs like tennis, softball, baseball, and soccer. how sad.

Maybe Hancock II will not pass. If it does, maybe the cuts will be devastating. At any rate, I won't bet on anyone killing the soccer program—it's dodged the bullet, for ex, before.

Thomas R. Hanrahan

OFF TO A RUNNING START

Jamie Nofsinger:
Once walk-on,
now team leaderBy MIKE PORTER
STAFF WRITER

As a freshman walk-on, senior Jamie Nofsinger was considered an average or below average runner by college coaches' standards and his own.

Hailing from Pryor, Okla., Nofsinger said cross country and track were not emphasized as much as they are in Missouri.

"In high school I was average, and I didn't think I was good enough to run in college," Nofsinger said, "but I wanted to run."

"No one recruited me, so I asked my high school coach to give me the phone numbers for Missouri Southern and Pittsburg State University," he said.

After calling both colleges, he was offered a tryout by Southern coach Tom Rutledge.

"Coach gave me a tryout, and I took it," Nofsinger said. "I made the team and have been here four years. I'm just glad I didn't call PSU first."

Nofsinger did not run cross country until his sophomore year in high school. He is now a 22-year-old, fifth-year senior biology major who is the captain and leader of the cross country team, according to Rutledge.

"Jamie is a great leader," Rutledge said. "It's partially because of his talent, but

mainly because of his honesty and work-ethic."

Rutledge said Nofsinger's talent didn't come easy, though, as he struggled his freshman and sophomore years. Through hard work he has gotten where he is today.

"Jamie is an overachiever who has probably out-shined his ability because of his hard work," Rutledge said.

Nofsinger said he chose cross country because he likes to run and thought it built character.

"I run because I like to run," he said. "I am a whole lot tougher physically and mentally, as well as more aggressive because of it (cross country)."

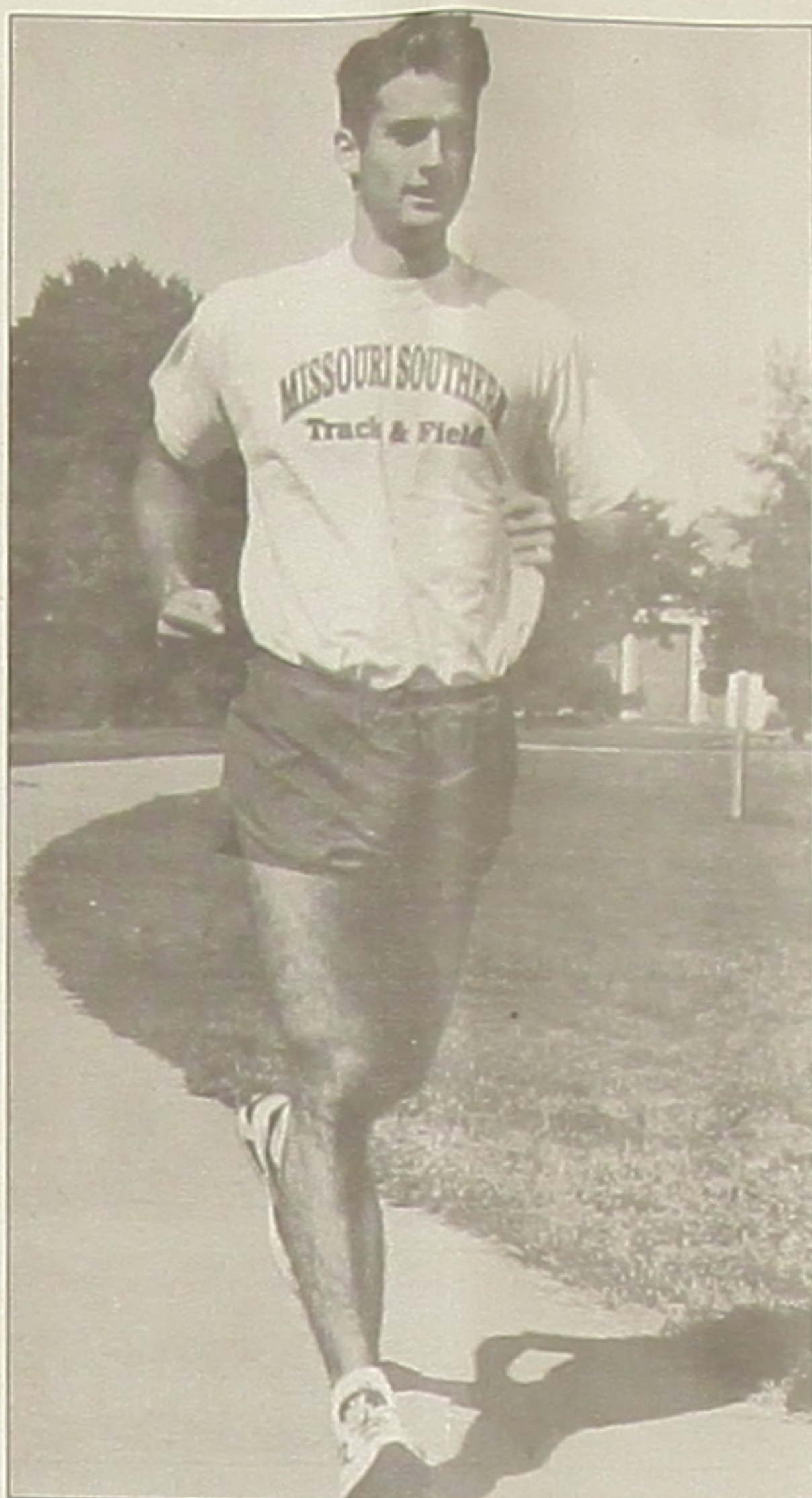
He also said running relaxes him and allows him to spend time with one his favorite people—God.

"I'm a strong Christian," he said, "so when I run it gives me time to spend with Him."

"The world would be in sad shape if it weren't for people like Jamie," Rutledge said. "He's the type of person you'd want your daughter to marry. He has more discipline in his life, because of his relationship with God, probably than I do."

Although Nofsinger doesn't know what he's going to do once he has finished his degree, he says God will continue to be a big part of his life.

"God gave me a little bit of



Jamie Nofsinger warms up during a practice preparing for a meet.

ability in running," he said, "so I wanted to do it the best I could."

"I've had a lot of challenges in

my life," Nofsinger said, "and I don't think I could have made it through them without God."

SOCCER

Lions climb atop
MIAA conference
with win over SBUBy RICK ROGERS
SPORTS EDITOR

With seven seniors guiding the Missouri Southern soccer program, the Lions have found themselves in first place atop the MIAA standings.

George
Greenlee

and six goals in eight games for the Lions.

"I feel good about his play this year," head coach George Greenlee said. "He is definitely someone we look to get some goals, and he is fairly consistent."

Missouri Southern 3, Southwest Baptist 2: Missouri Southern captured its second conference victory, slipping past the Bearcats yesterday in Bolivar.

Greenlee said the field at Southwest Baptist was in terrible condition and his players found trouble executing their passes.

"They had a 58-yard-wide field that was in the worst condition I have ever seen," Greenlee said. "We were

unable to play our style of soccer. Not only was there not room, but you couldn't make a pass on the ground. That was a big reason we could not pull away from those guys."

In the first half, freshman Mark Turpen and senior Chris Cook each scored to give the Lions a 2-1 edge. Senior forward Jorge Pereira netted the game-winning goal.

Southern Nazarene 3, Missouri Southern 1: Saturday, the Lions played Jekyll and Hyde, losing to Southern Nazarene of Oklahoma after a well-played first half.

The Lions entered the game as heavy favorites, and Greenlee said his players had forgotten how to play going into the second half with a 1-0 lead.

"We played a good first half," he said. "But we played an absolutely lousy second half."

"Suddenly, we got to playing as if we were afraid to lose, and we just couldn't function anymore."

Southern took the 1-0 halftime lead on a goal by senior midfielder Ryan Griesemer.

Greenlee said his team broke down both offensively and defensively in the second half.

"Everybody is responsible for defense, and sometimes there are a lot of breakdowns in our midfield, but we've had some horrendous mistakes in the back this season like I never would have believed."

TENNIS

Lady Lions tune up for spring
in 4-3 victory over Drury College

Southern sweeps
3 doubles matches
as fall action opens

By NICK PARKER
CHART REPORTER

While the Lady Lions tennis team is beginning fall action, its eyes are on the future.

Coach Georgina Bodine, in her fifth year as coach, said the fall season is a tune-up for the more intense spring schedule.

Bodine led her team to an 11-6 record last year, finishing fifth in the MIAA tournament.

"We're going to set up our team ladder," Bodine said.

Southern's strongest player looks to be Wendy Alloway, a junior from Parsons, Kan. Following her will be freshman Becky Blackwell and sophomores Holly Hammett, Amy Lawson, and Stacy Jackson. Freshmen Callie Frye and Heather Reinboldt round out the Lady Lions' starting seven.

The doubles teams are composed of Alloway and Blackwell, Hammett and Jackson, and Lawson and Reinboldt.

In yesterday's action, Southern won all three doubles matches and defeated Drury College 4-3.

"I felt OK for our first match together," Alloway said after she and Blackwell won their match 9-8.

Hammett and Jackson won 8-5. Lawson and Reinboldt won 8-0.

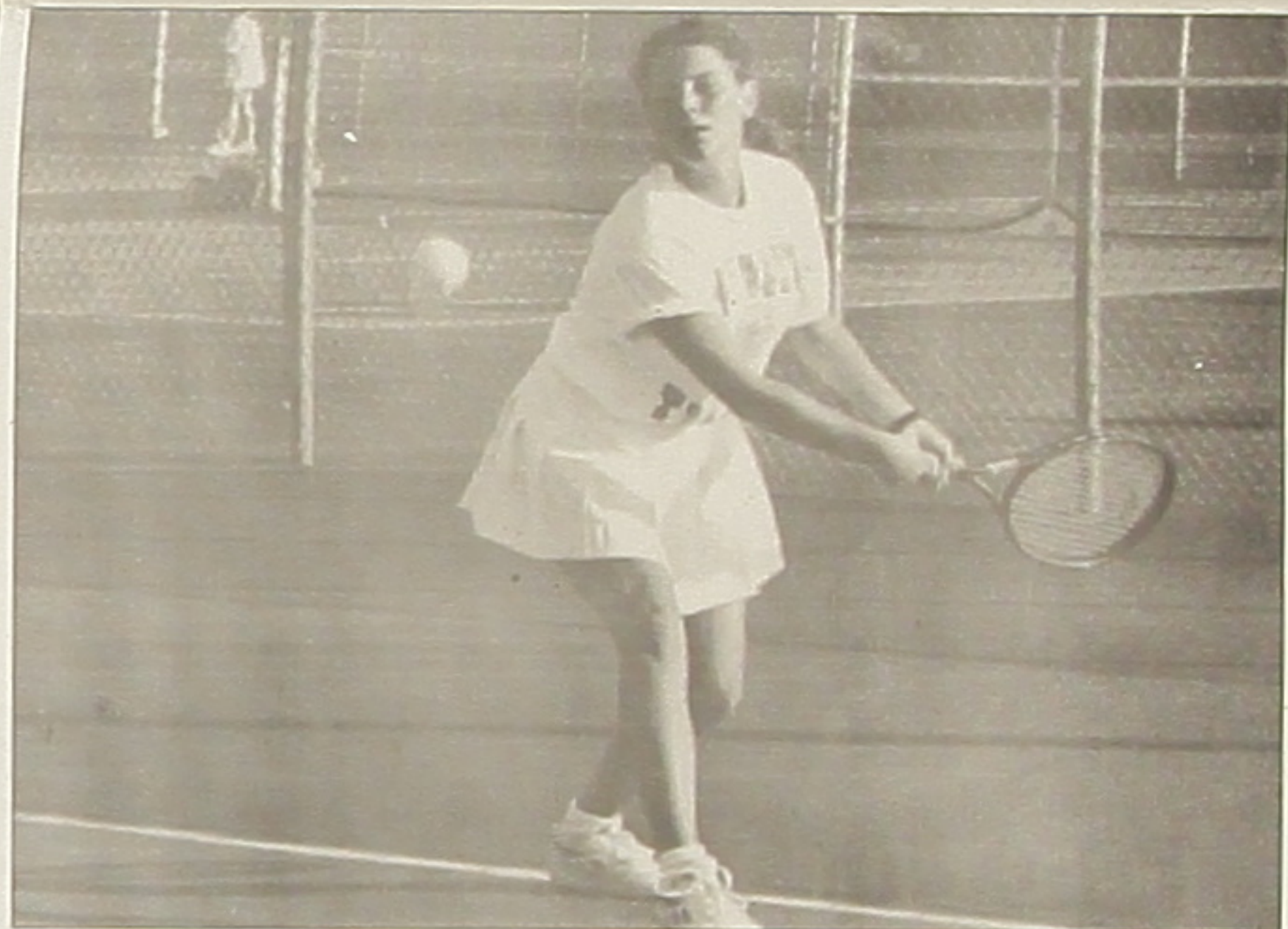
"I think I played real well," Frye said after winning her match 7-5. "I was real nervous, because this was my first college match."

In singles action, Hammett, Lawson, and Frye all were victorious against the Lady Panthers.

Bodine said Alloway and Blackwell will be taking part in both divisions of the Rolex Midwest Tournament being held tomorrow and Saturday in Topeka, Kan.

Southern's next home match is at 3 p.m. Oct. 6 against Northeast Missouri State University.

SERVE AND VOLLEY



DEBORAH SOLOMON/The Chart

Missouri Southern's Stacy Jackson, freshman, prepares to backhand a serve against Drury College.

SOUTHERN SCOREBOARD

THIS WEEK'S EVENTS

TOMORROW

Volleyball: Missouri Western Invitational, TBA

SATURDAY

Football: Southern at Northeast Missouri, 1 p.m.
Soccer: Ottawa University at Southern, 12:30 p.m.
Volleyball: Missouri Western Invitational, TBA
Cross Country: Southwest Mo. State Invitational

SUNDAY

Soccer: Christian Brothers at Southern, noon

WEDNESDAY

Soccer: Southern at Northeastern State, 3:30

FOOTBALL

MIAA 1994 Conference Standings

	Con.	Overall
1. Northeast Missouri (10)	2-0	3-0
2. Pittsburg State (5)	2-0	3-0
3. Missouri-Rolla	2-0	3-1
4. Missouri Western	1-1	3-1
5. Central Missouri	1-1	2-1
6. Emporia State	1-1	2-1
7. Missouri Southern	1-1	1-2
8. Southwest Baptist	0-2	0-3
9. Washburn	0-2	0-3
10. Northwest Missouri	0-2	0-4

Southern 42, SBU 16

Missouri Southern 21 0 7 14-42

Southwest Baptist 6 10 0 0-16

MSSC—Bland 79-yard run (Eric

Jackson kick)

SBU—Roweton 1-yard run (kick

failed)

MSSC—Brewer 82-yard kickoff

return (Jackson kick)

MSSC—Arnold 46-yard pass from

Switzer (Jackson kick)

SBU—Roweton 4-yard run (Chad

Kositzky kick)

SBU—Kositzky 23-yard field goal

MSSC—Bland 30-yard run (Jackson

kick)

MSSC—Taylor 1-yard run (Jackson

kick)

MSSC—Taylor 11-yard run (Jackson

kick)

Team Statistics

	MSSC	SBU
First downs	15	21
Rushes-yards	38-355	65-332
Passing yards	81	54
Passes	3-8	3-7
Net yardage	436	386
Possession	21:14	38:46
Fumbles-lost	2-0	2-2
Average gain	9.5	5.4
Sacks	0-0	1-(-10)
Punts-yards	4-141	3-125

VOLLEYBALL

MIAA 1994 Conference Standings

	Con.	Overall
1. Central Missouri	4-0	14-1
2. Northeast Missouri	3-0	8-1
3. Emporia State	3-1	13-3
4. Northwest Missouri	3-1	15-2
5. Missouri-St. Louis	2-1	4-8
6. Missouri Western	2-2	7-11
7. Missouri Southern	2-3	4-8
8. Pittsburg State	1-3	6-7
9. Southwest Baptist	0-3	0-7
10. Washburn	0-5	3-10

NW MO 3, Southern 0

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Southern 15, Western 13

Southern 3, SBU 0

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SOCCER

MIAA 1994 Conference Standings

	Con.	Overall
1. Missouri Southern	2-0	5-4
2. Missouri-Rolla	1-0	3-3-1
3. Missouri-St. Louis	0-0	5-1-1
4. Northeast Missouri	0-0	4-4
5. Lincoln	0-1	3-4
6. Southwest Baptist	0-2	1-6

TENNIS

Southern 4, Drury 3

Singles winners

Holly Hammett

Amy Lawson

Callie Frye

Doubles winners

Becky Blackwell-Wendy Alloway

Hammett-Stacy Jackson

Lawson-Heather Reinboldt

INTRAMURALS

UPCOMING EVENTS

4/4 Wallyball
Deadline Sept. 30
Play begins Oct. 4

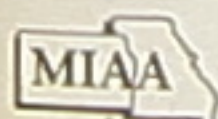
Racquetball Tournament
Deadline Oct. 3

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Tennis
Men's Champ—Scott Lawrence
5K Run
Men's Champ—Lanny Ackiss
Women's Champ—Jennifer
Stellwagen

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For intramural
info contact
Cindy Wolfe at
ext. 9533



Players of the
week

FOOTBALL

Offense: Albert Bland, RB, Missouri Southern. Bland ran for 278 yards on 24 carries against SBU last week.

Defense: The Central Missouri State defensive squad. The Mules forced seven turnovers in a 43-10 Mule victory.

VOLLEYBALL

Hitter: Suzi Fabian, OH, Northwest Missouri State.

Fabian hit .343 last week with

30 kills.

Setter: Jennifer Pittrich, S,

Northwest Missouri State.

Pittrich averaged 10.6 assists.

SOCCER

Todd Rich, M, Missouri-St.

Louis. Rich scored three goals.

"Simplify, simplify."

Henry David Thoreau

"Hey, that's not a bad idea."

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